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Tricorn Hat Box owned by Theophilus Bachellor 1771. The Box was probably used for his best hat. It is made of Pine, painted and grained to represent crotch and striped Mahogany or Walnut, banded in simulated Tulip wood.

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Foreword

Lynn Historical Society has already published six volumes of the Towne Meetings of Lyn, covering the period 1690 to 1771. These six volumes, of about one hundred pages each, have had a gratifying reception from State, University Libraries and Historical Societies all over the United States. Genealogists have found them very valuable, for the descendents of these early Lynners are now in every state in the union.

Lynn in those days comprised a territory which is now divided into five municipalities: Saugus, Swampscott, Lynnfield, Nahant and the present City of Lynn. Within the borders of that small farming village now live one hundred and thirty thousand people.

This volume has an index, which will be of great assistance to genealogists and to Scholars in the field of American History. All these volumes contain important original source material.

This present volume contains many references to the growing discontent with the British government and finally to the war with England, the American Revolution.

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Notification — Lynn May 6th 1771 — The Inhabitents of this Town that have an Estate of Freehold within this province of fourty Shillings pr annum at ye Least or other Estate to ye value of Forty pounds Sterling: are hereby Notified to assemble at ye old Meeting house on wednesday the 22d Instant at two of ye Clock afternoon there to Elect & Depute one or more persons to Serve for & Represent them in a Great & General Court appointed to be Convened held & kept for His Majestys Service at Harvard Colledge in Cambridge upon wednesday ye 29th Day of May Instant according to Precept and to See if ye town will approve of a Bridle way Shifted By ye Selectmen at ye Request of Daniel Bassett & others and also to Se if ye town will accept of what ye Selectmen have Done in widening ye Rhod where it was verely narrow in Several places in ye west parish Near where Jonathan Wayt formerly lived agreeable to ye Desire of Capt Abner Chever & others

And likewise to See if ye town will Chuse a Committee to Inspect & judge of ye Quantity & Quality of Each Mans Land on account of its Being taxed by ye assessors agreeable to a petition of 12 of ye Inhabitents of Sd Town

By order of ye Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill — Town Clerk

At a Town Meeting Held in Lynn May 22d 1771 for the Choice of a Representative To Serve ye town at ye Great & General Court the Currant year — Ebenr Burrill Esqr was Chose by a full vote

Capt. Samll Johnson was then Chose Moderator for ye other Bisnes that Clause in ye Notification Refering to ye way through Nathll Fullers & ye Widow Abigail Lewises Land after Some Debate:

Voted to Chuse a Comittee to Review ye Sd way and Report to ye town their oppinion

Meeting ad-
journd to the
27th Instant

Capt. Abner Chever
John Bryant
John Mansfield
Salvennus Hussey
& Benja Newhall

} Committe

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May 22d 1771 — the Report of the Committe on the Way from Papoons to Benja Witts through Mr Husseys Land that he Latly Purchased of the town there Being Complaint to the Grad Jury of that Rods Being Shett up, have attended that Service & are of Oppinion that it is Not Nesesary to Open Sd pretended way

Abner Chever Danil Mansfield Joseph Gowing and John Mansfield: Committee

May 27th 1771 — on adjournment we the Subscribers to Whome the within way was Refer'd have attended that Service & are of oppinion that the town approve of the way as the Selectmen have Laid out provided that Danel Bassett pay Nathanel Fuller & Widow Abigal Lewis Each of them two pounds two Shillings — the town accepted the Report of the Committe

Abner Chever John Bryant — John Mansfield Salvenas Hussey & Benja Newhall Committee

Complaint Being Made — Lynn Apl 22d 1771

The Selectmen attended the Service & widned the town way iin Several places where it was Less than one pole wide Begining at John Batts Stone wall wher we put a Stake then Extending Along the Road that Leads to the 600 acres till we come to Capt Joshua Chevers Corner part on one side & part on the other Side the way we have Staked it out in the Narrowest place one pole & half wide: then we opend the way at the Bridge for the Convenance of a teemes going through the water above the Bridge Near Mr Jonathan Waits old orchard as Staked out then from a Marked apple tree Near the wall to a Stake on the North West Side of the Gapp that Leads into Mr. Jonathan Waits old orchard

Town Meeting — may 27th 1771 — the town approved of the above way Being opened: By a Vote as above Described

Committe — Ebenr Burrill — Decn Abijah Chever and William Eastes

Essex — ss To Either of the Constables in Lynn & sd County —
Greeting —
(Seal)

The Selectmen of Sd Town of Lynn are Informed that Some Time in the Month of Apriel 1771: One Samuel Berrey & Famaly

Came into the Sd town of Lynn & Still Resides here with his Famaly :
Viz Mary his wife — Thomas their Son — Hannah their Daughter
& Mary Mary thair Daughter and Content Baxter a Single woman
Sd Berry Brought into this town with him when he Came into town
in Apriel Last as aforesd — These are therefore in His Majestys
Name to Require you or Either of you forthwith to warnn the Sd
Samll Mary his wife & Thomas his Son Hannah & Mary his daugh-
ters & Content Baxter — to Depart from & Leave this town or
they will be proceded with as the Law Directs & you are alike
Required to make inquirey when the Said Persons Came into this
town & from whence they came they came & where they had their
Last Resedence or Legal Settlement fail not & make Returne hereof
with your Dowings hereon to My Selfe — Given under my hand
& Seal at Lynn this 25th Day of July 1771 —

By order of ye Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill Town Clerk

Essex — ss Lynn July 29th 1771 I have Warnned the within
named Persons to Depart this town according to the within War-
rant & they Informed me that they Came Last from the Town of
Wobron — Pr William Collins — Constable

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1771 — Lynn Nover 11th 1771 — The Freeholders & Other
Inhabitents of Sd Town are Hereby Notified to attend a Town
meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd Lynn on Munday the
25th Day of Novr Instant at two of ye Clock afternoon. To Make
a Grant of Money to pay the Towns Debets and arising Charges
of Said town

Also to Se if the town will allow the Charge of the Courts
Comitte Laying out away from Kings Beach to Edmond Lewises
Land

NB The Selectmen Desire the inhabitants of ye town that
have Taken any Person or famaly into town that they would
Seasonably Notify ye Selectmen thereof. As they would avoid the
Penalty of ye Law in that Behalf made & Provided —

By Order of ye Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill Town Clerk

At a Town Meeting Held in Lynn Novr 25th 1771 — Capt Abner Chever — Moderator — To Grant a Sum of money to pay ye towns Debts & arising Charges of Sd Town — Voted 240 pounds for the Currant year — The other particulars in the notification Referred to Next March Meeting

Sundry Petitions for Land Referred to the Committee for Incroachment to View Estimate & Report to the Town their Opinion Next March Meeting

Notification For Town Meeting Febr 9th 1772: The Inhabitants of ye town of Sd Lynn Qualified for Voting as ye Law Directs are hereby Notified to Attend a town meeting at ye Old meeting house in Sd town on Munday ye 2 Day of March next at teen of ye Clock to Choose a Town Clerk — Treasurer Selectmen Constables & all other town officers as by Law Required & to Lett ye Nahant Beaches & Sedge Islands. also to See if ye town have ye Swine Go at Large & ye horses without fetters Also to know in ye town will Lett to Rand Graves about one acre & half of ye towns Land adjoining to his Land To Gather with ye Lane that Runs through ye Sd Rands Lands at ye Request of 12 of ye Inhabitants — By Petition

By Order of ye Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill Town Clerk

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At a General Town Meeting Held in Lynn March ye Second 1772 — For ye Choice of Town Officers For the Currant year

Majr Abner Chever Chose Moderator

Town Clerk & Treasurer — Ebenr Burrill Esqr

Ebenr Burrill Deen Abijah Chever Deen Dal: Mansfield William Eastes Benja Newhall Selectmen & assessors — Sworn to ye faithful Discharge of ye office

Constables — James Phillips Sworn Thaddas Perrey Nathan Hawkes Sworn Joseph Newhall Chose & accepted in ye Name of Sd Thaddeas Perry

Wardens — Thomas Hawkes Sworn Ebenr Aborn Jur Ezekiel Moulten Sworn — Rand Graves Sworn — David Parker

Surveyors of Highways — Joseph Edmonds Sworn Nathaniel Sherman Mathew Eastes Sworn David Fuller

Tithen men — Ephriam Newhall — Sworn John Bryant
Sworn — Abram Smith Sworn Theops Breed Sworn Joseph
Newhall

Fence Viewers — Caleb Collins Sworn Isaiah Breed Josiah
Martain Joseph Edmonds Sworn Decn Daniel Mansfield Deacn
Nathanel Bancroft

Hogg Reves — John Norwood Edward Thompson — Willm
Sweetsir Sworn Nathan Newhall John Lewis ye 3d Sworn —
Thom Stocker, Frances Marble John Upton William Mansfield

Leather Sealers — James Newhall William Farington Sworn
Surveiors of Lumber Moses Hudson Eleazer Collins Inguls
Ephriam Breed Sworn

Caller of Fish — Nathan Breed Sworn

Wood Sealers — James Purington Henry Bachelder Sworn —
Ebenr Brown Sworn Joseph Gould Benja Massey Sworn Increass
Newhall Sworn

Bread Wayers — Zephaniah Breed Sworn Samll Collins Jr.
Josiah Martain Edward Johnson

Clerk of ye Market — Edward Johnson

Fish Comittee — Capt. John Mansfield Sworn Willm Farington
Sworn John Collins Jacob Ramsdel Sworn Caleb Downing Robrt
Mansfield

Turn Over for ye Remainder

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1772 March 2d At Ye Same Meeting

Nahant Beaches — Let to Isaiah Breed & Isaiah Newhall as
usul for £00-13-4 pence

Sedge Islands — Let to Joseph Newhall for 5 Dollers

Swine at Large in the North Parish & in the West parish

Swine Shett up in the Old Parish

Horses to be Fetterd in the Whole Town

Rand Graveses Petition Gratted

Sundrey Petitions that was Refered here to fore to the Comittee
for Incroachments Reported in favor & the town axcepted ye Report
with Regard to ye Comittee charge of Laying out ye way from Kings
Beach to Edmond Lewises Land passed in the Negative

Meeting Adjorned To Monday fortnet at 2 of ye Clock at
ye widow Ruth Johnsons

Town Meeting on ye adjournment

the town at this meeting: Voted to axcept of Joseph Newhall to Serve Constable in ye Rume & Stead of Thaddeas Perry who was Chose Constable ye first meeting: viz March Second 1772 — Sd Joseph Newhall Sworn

Hogg Reves Chose Viz Abijah Newhall Jacob Collins Benja Lyndsey & John Burrill

Meeting Desolved

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At a Town Meeting Leagely assembled Janr 6th 1772 Dean Danil Mansfield Chosen Moderator

The Question being put after the papers was Reed. Relating to Publick Greavens the province Labours under in Regard of their Rights and Priviledges

Voted unaniomslly that this Town will concour in centiments with the Town of Boston & the Neighbouring Towns in the provinc with Regard to our Constitutional & Charter Rights Priviledges

Voted to instruct the Representative to Stand fiera for our Charter wrights and Priviledges

Voted to Chuse a Comittee of Seven Men to Corespond with Comittees of other Towns Respecting the Grievances we Do or may Laibour under

Voted Capt John Mansfield Majr Abner Chever Decn Abijah Chever Doctr John Flagge Decn Nathanel Bancroft Salvenas Hussey & Josiah Martain Decn Danil Mansfield added in Martins Rume

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Notification Lynn May 15th 1772

The Freeholders & Other Inhabitents of ye town of Lynn that have an Estate of freehold in Lands within this Province or Terretorey of 40/ Shillings p Annum at ye Least or Other Estate to ye Value of 40/ Stearling are hereby Notified to attend a town Meeting at ye Old Meeting house in Sd town on Thursdday ye 21st Day of may Instant at one of ye clock after noon then & there to Elect & Depute one or more person or persons to Serve for & Represent the Sd town in a Great & General Court or Assemble appointed to be Conveand held & kept for His Majestys Service at Harvard Colledge in Cambridge upon Wensday the 27th Day of

May Instant according to Precept Also to Se if yye town will Build a School House for the Second Parish in Sd town or grant them a Sum of Money for that purpose agreeable to a Petition of Sd Parish. Likewise to Se if ye town will Repay the 3d Parish in Sd town ye Charge of Building their Schoolhouse which Charge is 27 pounds one Shilling & 4 pence agreeable to a petition of Sd Parish

T Se also what ye town will Do with Respect to the Numoras Encroachments on ye towns Land

Likewise to Se what ye town will Do with Regard to those Persons that have had Conditional Grants of Landss & had Improvement for a Considerable Time & not paid Either princable or Intrest & also to Se in ye town will at this meeting make a Grant of money to pay ye towns Debets & arising charges of Sd town for ye Currant year

Also to if ye town will allow ye Charge of ye Corts Comitte Laying out ye way from King's Beach So Calld to Edmond Lewises Land

Likewise to Se if ye Town will Lett ye Eal pond above Joseph Goulds Mill

By Order of the Select Men

Ebenr Burrill Town Clerk

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At a General Town Meeting Held in Lynn May 21st 1772 for ye choice of a Representative Ebenr Burrill Esqr Cose to Represent ye town ye Currant year

Moderator Mar Abner Chever Chosen to Transact ye other Busness of Sd town agreeable to the Notification

First Voted Fifteen Pounds to the North Parish to enable them to Build a School House in Sd Parish

2ly Voted Fifteen Pounds to ye West Parish to wards the charge of Building a School House in Sd Parish

3ly Voted to Chuse a Committe & Impower them to take Effectual Care of the Incroachments on the towns Lands.

4thly Voted Deacn Daniel Mansfield John Hawkes and Capt John Mansfield Be a Committe for the Purpos afore Said.

5ly Voted those Persons that Have heretofore had Conditional Grants of Land & not paid for the Same Shall pay Intrest from the time of Improvment

6 Voted to ye above Committe Shall have as Full power in all Regards as the Town Gave their Committe in ye year 1766

And that ye above Sd Committe take ye Money or good Seccureity of those persons that purchise any of ye towns Land & pay it into ye town treasury.

Voted 270 pounds to Defray ye town Charge for ye Currant year

Voted the Town would pay the Charge of the Courts Committe Laying out ye way from Kings Beach through Nathanel Fullers & the wd abigal Lewises Land & John Bassetts & Joseph Bassetts to Edmond Lewises Land

Voted to Lett the Eal Pond above Joseph Gould's for the Currant year to John Rhoades he paying to the town one Doller

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Essex-ss — October 25th 1772 — Pursuant to the within Order of his Majestys Court of General Sessions of the peace holden at Newbury port within & for the County of Essex, on the Last Tuesday of September Last, Having given Seasonable notice to all persons Intrested of the time of our meeting, for the Purposes in Said Order. Mentioned, & Being Sworn as within appears

We have Laid out the Way in Said Order Mentioned as follows Viz. We began at a Stone Laid by us on Kings Beach & Run from thence on the Line Between the Lands of Nathanel Fuller & Abigail Lewis, north forty eight Degrees thirty minutes west to John Bassetts Land fourty poles, & ordrd one Pole of Land in wedth on Each Side of Said Line to be for the Way. from the Easterly Side thereof we Run South forty two Degrees West as the fence Stands twenty one poles & an half through John Bassetts Land, & from thence on the Same Course as the fence Stands forty five Poles through Joseph Bassetts Land to the Old Way and Ordered two poles of Land in Wedth on the northerly Side of Each of Said Last mentioned Lines for the Way: and the Damage Don in privet property by Laying out the way aforesaid we estimate as followeth Viz to the Sd Nathanel Fuller the Sum of four Pounds. to the Sd Abigal Lewis the Sum of four Pounds, & the Sd John Basset & Joseph Basset freely Releas the Damage Sufferd by them

Copy of ye Return of ye Comittee appointed by ye Court to Lay

out a way in Lynn: was accepted Last March Court at Ipswich:
1772 — Examined by William Jeffry Clerk

Witness our Hands & Seals

Danil Epes (Seal)

John Leech (Seal)

Benja Jones (Se)

Isaac Mansfield (Se)

Nathan Bowen (Sea)

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Notification Lynn February 15th 1773

The Freeholders & other Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn
Qualified for Voting are hereby notified to attend a Town Meeting
on Munday the first Day of March Next at ten of the Clock in the
forenoon at the Old Meeting house in Said Town

To Chuse a town Clerk Treasurer Selectmen Constables &
all other Town Officers as the Law Directs, also to Se if the town
will Lett their Nahant Beaches & Sedge Islands & Egg Rock
so calld

Likewise to Se if the Town will hire or Build a House to
keep the poor of the town in & Chuse a Committee or a person or
parsons to over Se & Take Care of the Same

& also to Se if the town will Build a Powder house for the
town Stock of ammonition

& Likewise to Se if the town will Sell to Nathan Newhall a
few poles of Land East of his Dwelling House now within fence —
Agreable to a Petition of 15 Inhabitents

By Order of the Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill — Town Clerk

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At a General Town Meeting in Lynn March 1, 1773 to Chuse
Town Offesers for the Currant Year

Decn Daniel Mansfield Chose Moderator of Sd Meeting

Town Clerk Ebenr Burrill Esqr Sworn to the office

Tresurer — Benjamin Newhall — Sworn to the office

Selectmen Decn Daniel Mansfield Decn Abjiah Chever Willm
Eastes Benja Newhall Ebenr Burrill al Sworn assesor

Constabels — John Orn John Batts Sworn Ezra Breed Sworn
in the Room of Mr Salvenas Hussey accepted by the town

Wardens — Jacob Newhall Sworn Jonathan Wellmon Sworn
Richard Mansfield Sworn Noah Ramsdel Sworn

Surveiors of highways — James x Purinton — Ezra Breed
Excused Joseph Edmonds Josiah Newhall

Tithin men — Ephriam x Newhall Benja Parrott Sworn John
Rhoads Sworn Edmon Clerk Sworn Danil Townsend

Fence Viewers — Caleb x Collins John Bassett Sworn Joseph
Edmonds Josiah Martain Excused Joshua Danforth Sworn Jacob
Brown Sworn Thomas Stocker

Hogg Reves Amos Breed Jur Jacob Inguls Grimes Tufts Har-
ris Chadwell Ezra Coats David Parker all Sworn: Timothy Walton
Sworn Ezekiel Newhall Sworn

Leather Sealers — William Farington & James Newhall

Surveior of Lumber — Ephriam Breed Sworn Moses Hudson
Eleazer Collins Inguls Sworn

Caller of Fish Nathan Breed Sworn

Wood Sealers — Benja Massey James Purinton Increass New-
hall Jacob Newhall & Ebenr Brown all Sworn

Bread Wayers — Zephenh Breed Samuel Collins Jr Sworn
Josiah Martain & Edward x Jonnson Edward x Johnson Clerk of
ye Market also

Comitte to take Care of Fish Capt John Mansfield Sworn John
Collins Caleb Downing Jur Robert Mansfield Jr. these all Sworn
William Farington Sworn

Ege Rock Lett to Noah Ramsdell for one Doller the Currant
year

that Clause in the Notification with Regard to ye poor — Voted
to Chuse a Committe to Consider & Report what thay Judge Best
to Do with Regard to hiring a house for the poor & to Report at
May Meeting Next

Committe Ephriam Breed John Hawkes & Samuel Collins Jr
Turn Over —

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Nahant Beaches — Let to Allen Breed for Seven Pounds old
tenner the Currant year with the Same Priviledges & Restriction as
has Been usual heretofore ——— Lawful — 18-8

Sedge Islands — Let to Joseph Newhall for the Currant year
for Twelve Pounds five Shillings Old tenor

The affair of the Pouder House mentioned in the Notification

Left to a Committe to Consider & Report to ye town their opinion at May meeting Next

Comitte — Capt John Mansfield Majr Abner Chever & Decn John Burriag

Petitions — Richerd ses Daniel Tarbox Committed to the Comitty for Incroachments to Consider & Report to ye town

Meeting Adjornd to the 15th Instant at Two of the Clock afternoon at the wd Ruth Johnson's Inholder in Lynn

The town Meet on the adjournment & Voted the Selectmen Take advice with Regard to John Orn not appearing to take the oath of a Constable (being Chose thereto Last Meeting) and to prosecute if they think Best

A Constable Chose in Orns Rume — Ephriam Sheldon Chose Constable Sworn

Ezra Breed Excused from Serving Surveior of highways

Joseph Hart Sworn Chose Surveior of high wayes for the Curant year in the Rume of Ezra Breed

hogg Reves Chosen — Benja Bullard Readdan & John Pool Both Sworn

Fence Veiwer — Thomas Stocker Chosen in Rume of Josiah Martain

Meeting Adjornd To Fryday the 19th Instant at 3 of ye Clock afternoon at the wd Ruth Johnsons Inholder in Sd town

The Town Meet on adjornment Ephriam Sheldon was Chose Constable on the Last adjournment appeared & was Sworn Sundrey other officers appeared & was Sworn as Josiah Newhall Surveior of highways &c Meeting Desolved

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Notification — Lynn May the 7th 1773

The Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Sd town that have an Estate of freehold in Land within this Province or Teretory of 40/ pr annum at the Least. Or other Estate to the Value of Fourty Pounds Stearling: Are hereby Notified to assemble at the old meeting house in Sd town on Wendsday the 19th Instant at two of the Clock afternoon Then and there to Elect & Depute one or more persons To Serve for & Represent the Sd town in a Great

and General Court, appointed to be held & Kept at the Court house in Boston upon Wendsday the 26th Day of May Instant according to precept & also to Se if the town will Make a Grant of Money to Defray the Charge of the town for ye Currant year

Likewise to Se what Instructions the town will Give the Man that Shall be Chosen to Represent the town in General Court the Currant year — and to Se if the town will Sell Sundry pieces of Land Staked out by the Comittee for Incroachments: and Chuse & Impower a Comittee to Settle with Mesurs Samuel Sillsbe John Richards & Richard Richards for their Improving the towns Land at the Black Marsh & also to Se what the town will Do with the Old Road that Leads from the place where the Old Meeting house formerly Stood: Through Breeds & Burriages Fields to the Old Ferrey place at Needham's Landing So Called :

By Order of the Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill, Town Clerk

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At a Town Meeting Held in Lynn May 19th 1773 — To Make Choice of a Person to Represent the town at General Court the Currant year

Ebenr Burrill Esqr was Chose By a Great Majority

Deacn Daniel Mansfield was Chosen Moderator for the other Bisnes & perticulers in the Notification

Voted: 180£ To Defray the Charge of the town for the Currant year

Voted to accept the Com-ittes of Corespondants Report with Regard to instructions to there Representative

3dly Voted — Samll Collins Jur & Nathan Breed be added to the Com-itte of Incroachments to Conduct the affair of the way & Land at the Black Marsh to prevent its washing away with the Tide; Left to Sd Com-itte

Voted that articule in the Notification Refering to the way Through the Breeds & Burriages fields be Left the Committe of Incroachments & to Report their Dowings there on to the Town

Voted — So Farr to Recive the Com-ittes Report with Regard to Purchsing Tallbutts House & Land to acomadate for the Reception of the Poor of the Town Left to the Selectmen

Voted — Neheamiah Newhalls Petition Be Dismist — meeting Desolved

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The Proceedings of the Town of Lynn at their Meeting, Duly & Legaly assembled on the 19th of May AD — 1773,

Having Looked over, & we think with Some Degree of Carfullness & Canddor, the Several Speeches of his Exelency the Govner of the Province to the councls & house of Representatives in the Last Sessions of the General Court & Considred the Dowings of the Town of Boston at their Meeting by Adjornment on the 23d Day of Last March, it is apparant & Evident that his Excellency has Denied that the Towns in the Province have a Legal Right in their Corporat Capasity Sepratly to assemble togather in order to assert theier Rights & Privileges — Points out Such Measurs of Goverment as they apprehend to be Grevos & Subversive of our Exellent Constitution, thretning the Lives & Properties of his Majestys Most Faithful and Dutiful Subjects & Consult upon proper measurs for Redress, and as the Law authorises any Town in the province to assemble themsevels togather, when it is apprehended, any Bisnes of publick Consernment Makes Such a Meeting proper; his Exellency, of Consequence has Denied — the Most Atrocious Vialations of the Rights of the people — Endeavours to introduce a System of Power against Right — the Distruction of the Lives & propertyes of the people, — To be Matters of publick Concerment — His Exellency has been pleased to Charge the town of Boston with Calling upon (in a Late Circular letter of theirs): Every town & District in the province to adopt their Princapls as Exprssed in their Proceedings & Dowings which that Letter accompanied, — We never Considred our Selves invited by that Letter to adopt any Principles, But only freely to Cummunicate our own: And we Cannot but view his Excellencys argument to prove the Charge as having Less Weight then His Bare assertion — it has pleased his Exellency to affierm, it Must have been Extrmely irregular in the towns to take them Sepratly to Determine pointns which they

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Thay had no authority to Determine, and in this way to Influence if not Determine the acts & Dowings of their Reprsntitives in General assembly, who Cannot have the Same Freedom of Thinking & acting after their Constituants had Determined & Resolved, Whereby it appears to be a princaple with his Exellency that the

Representitives in General assembly have authority to Determine Some Points which their Constituents have no authority to Show their Sentiments upon, or give them any Instructions thereby Purposly to influence Such their Determinations; & Give this as an argument, that the Representitives Cannot have the Same Freedom of thinking & acting after their Constituents had Determined Which is an argument that Equally avails against the Regularity of Constituents Giving Instructions do their Representitives in order to Influence their Determinations of any Point whatsoever. — But Till his Excellency Shall be Pleased to Draw the Line Between Such points as a town Separately May Regularly give their Sentiments upon, thereby to influence the Acts & Doings of their Representitives in General assembly & Such Points as they have no authority thus to Determine We must think ourselves Invested with the Right to Communicate freely our Sentiments to our Representatis upon all Points that may Come under the Consideration of the Representitives in General Assembly — His Excellency has therefore avowed Princeples of the Most Dangrous Nature & tendancy; Inconsistant with that Liberty to which the People are Entitled as English men; which tends to the Dimenutions of the agust and awfull Influence of Power of the People Prinsaples admirably Calculated for the Introduction of Dispotisem and to Eradicate Freedom and Happiness From the Land

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Whereas the Many Grievances & Injuries which We have often Complained of, So well known & Sensebly felt as to Require no Particular Enumeration Still Remain unredressed

Be it Resolved that our Representative be Instructed to Encourage a free Communication with our Sister Colonies Similar to the Plan proposed by the Verey Respectable & Patriotic Calony of Virginea, which appears to us to be a Measure well adapted to Counter act the Evil Designs of the Enemies to our Freedom & Restore That Harmony Between, Great Britain and her Colonies Essential to the Happiness of Both

Voted that the above be Entrd on the town Record & a Copy therof Delivered to the Committe of Correspondants, To be Sent by them to the Com-itte of that Denominations at Boston in Order to be Comunicated to that Very Respectable Town —

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John Mansfield Moderator

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitents (qualified by Law to vote) of the town of Lynn Duly and Legaly assembled on the 16th Day of Decr Ano Dom 1773 the following Resolvs were unanimously Past Viz —

1. that the people on the British American Colones by their Constitution of Government have a Right to Freedom & an Exemption from Evrey Degree of oppression & Slavery

2ly That it is an Essential Right of Freemen to have the Disposal of their own property & not to be taxed by any power over which they have no Control —

3ly that the parliemntary Duty Laid upon Tea Landed in America is in Effect a tax upon the Americans with without their consent —

4ly That the Late act of parlement allowing the East India Company to Send their Tea to America on thair own account was artfully framed for the Purpos of Enforcing & carrying into Effect the Oppressive act of Parlemt Imppoossing a Duty upon Teas Imported into America; & is a fresh proof of the Settled & determined Designs of the ministry to Deprive us of freedom & Reduce us to Slavery

5ly Resolved that we highly Disapprove of the Landing & Selling of Such Teas in America & will not Suffer any Teas Sub-jected to a parliamentary Duty to be Landed or Sold in this town & that we Stand Redy to assist Our Brathren at Boston or Else Where Whenever Our aid Shall be Required) in Repelling all attempts to Land or Sell any Teas poisoned with a Duty. And whereas the Inhabitents of the Town of Boston have Regarly applied to the Parsons appointed there by the East India Company to Receive and vent off their Teas Delivered them to Resign their trust but have obstanatly Repeatedly & Daringly Refused

Now turn over

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6ly Resolved that those Consigneas have Shown a Ready Dis-position to become the tules of a vile & corropt Ministrey Supported by a venal & Tiraniacal Parlemt to Oppress & Enslave their native Countrey & Come under the Same Class of infamous Crea-tures with the Governors the Commishoners & their Dependants those

of Enemies & traitors to their Contrey have manifested the Stubidity to Sacrefise Liberty to averise, & the wickedness when Occasion Shall Serve to Riot on the Spoils of their Brathren & have forfeited their Right to pasonal protection & Secuerity

7ly that a tribute of Gratitude from us to the patriotic town of Boston, for the publick Virtue which thay have Shown in the opposition which thay have made to the Ministeral plan for Deluding the americans into a Compliance with the Detestable Tea Act —

Voted that the foregoing Resolves Be Entred on the town Records & a Coppy therof be Delivered to the Com-itte of Core-spondence to Be Sent to the Com-itte of Correspondance at Boston

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Decn Mansfield Moderator

At a Legal Town Meeting in Lynn Janr 17th 1774 after Some Debate it was put to vote Whether the List of assessment Should be Comitted to John Batt Constable to Collect or not, the Vote passed in the Negetive it Should not

Then the town agreed with Josiah Breed to Collect Sd List & to Give him Nine pence on Each Pound for Collecting the Same he to give Bonds with Sufficant Bondsmen for Performance when he Receives the List Meeting Desolved

Janr 20 1774 Josiah Breed Sworn Collector

Essex-ss To Increass Newhall Constable in Lynn Greeting (Seal)

Whereas at a Meeting of the Selectmen of Sd town of Lynn htey were Informed that one John Walkley and Abigail his wife & Child Named John Latley Moved into Sd town of Lynn Wherefore in his Majestys Name you are Required to warn the Sd persons Above Named to Depart & Leave Sd town of Lynn, or they will be proceded with as the Law Directs & you are alike Required to Inquire of Sd persons from whence they came & where they had their Last Residence — hereof Fail not & make Returne of your Dowings hereon;

By order of ye Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill town Clerk

Dated Lynn March 22d 1774

Essex-ss Lynn March 22d 1774. I have warned out the within

Named Abigail & Child named John — the within Named John Walkler not to be found: Increase Newhall Constable of Lynn — they had their Last Residence at the town of Waltham

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Notification for Town Meeting Lynn Feby 21st 1774 The Freeholders & other Inhabitents of Sd Town Qualified for Voting. — Are hereby Notified to attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting house in Sd town on the Seventh Day of March Next at ten of the Clock in the forenoon to Chuse a town Clerk Treasurer Selectmen Constables & all other town officers as the Law Directs

And to Se if the town will Hire a Collector or Collectors to Collect the Taxes the Corrant year & to Se if the town will Lett their Sedge Islands and Nahant Beaches & Egg Rock So Calld Also if the town will have the Swine go at Large in any part of the town — and whither the horses Shall go without Fetters

Also To Se if the town will Repair or provide a Pound for Each Parish in Sd town or otherwise as the town may think Best

Likewise to Se if the town will open a way for Theophilus Burrill to a Common Lott of his through a Common Lott of Neheamiah Collinses to pass & Reepass agreeable to the Report of the Committe that Laid out the Comon Lands in this town as appears by the town Records agreeable to a petition Sd Burrill preferd to the Selectmen of Said Town

Also to Se if the town will pass a Vote at this Meeting for each Surveior of highways to Settle with the Selectmen by the first Monday in October Next, and Every person that Shall not have Worked out his hightway rat By that time (Being Duly Warnd) the assessors Shall put it into his Next Town Rate

By Order of the Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill Town Clerk

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At a General Town Meeting March 7th 1774 — To Chuse Town Offecers For the Currant year

Abner Chever Esqr Moderator

Town Clerk — Ebenr Burrill Esqr Sworn

Treasurer Benja Newhall & Sworn

Selectmen & Assesors Ebenr Burrill Esqr Abijah Chever Danil Mansfield William Eastes & Benja Newhall all Sworn

Collector — Abner Chever Esqr Sworn to Collect ye Tax & to have 9d on the Pound for his Service for Collecting ye Same

Constables — Increass Newhall John Batt & John Upton All Sworn

Wardens — Noah Ramsdel Richard Pratt Benja Gouldth with & James Bancroft

Surveiors of Highways — Decn Danil Mansfield Elkeny Hawks Isaiah Breed and Josiah Breed All Sworn

Tithen Men — Ephriam Newhall Allen Newhall Benja Mansfield all Sworn, Robrt Mansfield iur Joseph Newhall

Fence Viewers — William Collins Rann Graves John Batt Sworn — Thomas Townsend Sworn: John Bryant & Jacob Newhall

Hogge Reaves — Mehak Ramsdel Jacob Ramsdel Abednego Ramsdel James Breed Jediah Purinton William Sweetsir Adam Hawkes Jabez Newhall James Edmonds John Burrill Benja Bullard Readdan all Sworn Jonathn Bryant John Gowing Jur Josiah Newhall Timothy Walton Nathaniel Collins & Benja Bowden Sworn
Leather Sealer — James Newhall & William Farington

Surveiors of Lumber — Ephriam Breed Samuel Sillsbee & Moses Hudson Sworn & Richard Richards Sworn

Callers of Fish — Nathan Breed

Wood Sealers — James Purinton Ebeenn Brown Increass Newhall & Benja Massey

Bread Waiers — Benja Massey Edward Johnson & John Batts
Clerk of ye Market — Edward Johnson

Committe to Take Care of the Fish Calld Elwives — Capt John Mansfield John Collins Caleb Downing Jur Robrt Mansfield Jur & William Farington

Turn Over the Leaf for the Rest

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1774 Sedg Islands Lett to Jonathan Wellman for Teen Pounds 15/ Old Tennor

Nahant Beaches Lett to Salvenas Hussey Isaiah Breed James Purinton & Pharaoh Newhall for Five pound Old Tenner, With the Usual Priveledges & Restrictions

Egg Rock Lett to Noah Ramsdel for one Doller this year

Voted the Swine go at Large in ye North & west Parish only

Voted to have three Pounds one in Each Parish: Left to the Discretion & Direction of the Selectmen to Conduct

Field Drivers — Asa Newhall Theophilus Breed & Josiah Breed 2 Last Sworn

Voted Theophilus Burrills Petition be Dismist

Voted the Highways Shall be Mended agreeable to ye Notification

Voted to accept of Isaiah Breed Surveior in Stead of Joseph Gaskel

Voted Each Surveior of high wayes Shall Settle With the Selectmen by the first Monday in Oct Next & Every person that Shall not have Worked out his Rate by that time (Being Duly warnd) it Shall be putt into his Nex town Rate Meeting Adornd

Met on ye adjournment — Allen Newhall & Benja Mansfield Chose Tithinmen: Sworn — Richard Richards Surveior of Lumber Sworn Jacob Newhall & John Batts Chosen Fence Viewers Sworn

March 28th 1774 Then William Collins was Sworn to the Faithful Discharge of propriators Clerk — Before Ebenr Burrill Just Peace

Voted that no horses Cattel or Sheep or Swine Belonging to other towns be allowed to go feed or Grase on any of the Com-on Land of ye town of Lynn

Voted Decn Daniel Mansfield — Surveior of highways in the Rume Josiah Newhall

Willm Richerson Joshua Dunfoth Chose field Drivers Sworn Benja Bowden hog Reave & Sworn

Meeting Desolved

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May 12th 1744 — The Freeholders & other Inhabitents of ye town of Lynn that are Qualified to Vote as the Law Directs for the Choice of Representatives are hereby, Notified to atend a town meeting at ye Old meeting in Sd town on Thrsday ye 19th Instant at 2 of ye Clock afternoon

Then & there to Elect & Depute one or more persons to Represent them in a Great & General Court appointed to be held & Kept for his majestys Services at the Court house in Boston upon Wensday ye 25th of May Instant at 9 in Morning &c agreeable to Precept

Likewise to Se what Method ye town will Embrace with Regard to ye town Stocke of Amonition — also to Se what the town will Do with Regard to ye house the town purchased for ye Reception of ye poor whither to make an addition to Sd house & appoint Som

person or parsons as Over Sears. or any other way as ye town may think Best — and Likewise to Se if the town will axcept of ye Reguelation of the Jurey Boxes as the Selectmen have prepard the Lists to Lay Before ye town at this Meeting

By Order of the Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill Town Cler

At a Town Meeting Legaly assembled May 19th 1774 Ebenr Burrill Esqr was chose to Represent the town at Court

Decn Danel Mansfield Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting

Voted. To Leave it to the Selectmen to Prepare a place or Build a House for the town Stock of amonition

Voted the Selectmen after the House is Provided the Said Selectmen also to provide a Suficent Stock of Amonition according as the Law Directs as Soon as may be obtained

Voted not to make any addition to the work house at this Meeting

Voted to Except of the Lists of Juryers as the Selectmen have Divided them

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Notification — Lynn June 22d 1774

The Freeholders & other Inhabitents of This Town are hereby Notified to attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd town on Tuesday the 28th of June Instant at two of the clock afternoon

To Consult upon Proper Measures to be Taken by the town for the Recovery & Restoration of the Rights & Liberties of Ammerica — Ravished from them by the oppresion of the Brittish Parliment and Especialy for the Relief of our Metroplas whose trade & Commerse upon which they Solely Depend for Subsistance is anniolated by the Rigros Execution of the Boston port Bill the Cruelty & Injustice of which Cannot but Excit a Just Indignation in the Breast of Every American

Also to Se whither the town will Bear their Proportionable part of the Sum of Money allowed by the House of Representatives for this province to Defray the Expence of the Com-itte appointed by Them to Meet upon a Congress of the Collonies and Determin upon a proper Method for Dowing the Same

By Order of the Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill Town Clerk

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At a Town Meeting Held in Lynn June 28th 1774 — Capt John Mansfield Moderator of Sd Meeting

To Consult upon proper Measures to be taken by the Town for the Recovrey & Restoration of the Rights & Liberties of America

Voted to chuse a Com-itte of .5. men to take the affair into Consideration & Report to the town at the Adjournment of Sd Meeting

Comitte — Capt. John Mansfield. Doct. John Flagg Benja Newhall Ebenr Burrill & Deacn Nathall Bancroft

2ly Voted the Second Clause in the Notification be Referred to the Adjournment of this Meeting for Consideration

Voted to pay the Towns proportion of the 500 pounds the house of Reprsentetives allowed to Defray the Charge of the Comittee appointed to meet upon a congrass of the Collonies

Voted the Treasurer pay the towns proportion of money out of the tresurey when properly aplyed to for ye Same

Voted the Deacns of Each Parish Desire Each Minister to attend the Meeting at the adjournment and that Each Minister mention to his people after Service the Saboth Before the time of the adjournment that there may be a General attendance

Voted this meeting Be adjornd three weeks from this Day then to meet at this house at three of the Clock AfterNoon —

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At a Meeting of the Inhabitints of the Town of Lynn qualified by Law to Vote Legaly & Duly Assembled on the 22d Day of August AD 1774: The Sd Inhabitints Expressed their Sentiments in the following word & Votes Viz —

Being Deeply Sensible of the Dangers State of the Liberties of this province from the Violent attacks of the British Ministry & Parleament who Seem Determined in Violation of the Laws of Justice and humanity to make us Subservient to their Own Wicked ambitious & Mercenary Viewes, We cannot but be Especially alarmed from the Two Last Acts of parliament Whereby our Charter is in part Vacated & the Vitals of our constitution to be Destroyed — tending to Establish arbitrary Government — and secure the Most atrocious offenders from the Hands of Justice, We Cannot but Think ourselves warranted by the Laws & Nature which are the

Laws of God & by the principles of the Constitution (which is not to be altered or Chainged without the Consent of the people) To Secure our Selves against the operation of Such Oppressive Measures by the Exertion of all the Powers with which we are Invested — And it cann Never be Consistant with our Duty to Resign ourselves to Sullen Silence or Contented Slavery — and the Motion Made by the Town of Marblehead, that there be a Meeting of the Several Towns in the County By their Respective Delegates to Consult upon the present Exegences of our publick affairs therfore we & c

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We Apprehend to be Seasonable & that Such a Meeting will Probably be attended with Many Salutary & Happy Consequences Therefore

Voted that Capt John Mansfield Doct John Flagg & Decn Daniel Mansfield be Delegates for this town to attend a Meeting of the County for the purposes afor Sd that May be held at Ipswich on the 6th Day of Septr Next or at any other place or any other Day or Days as Shall be thought Most Convenient & Suitable by the other towns in the County

Voted that the Thanks of the town be given to the Patriote town of Marblehead for the Zeal & Attention which they have Shewn for the Support of our Most Importent Rights & Liberties

Voted that a Copy of the Proceedings of this Meeting be Sent to the Com-ittee of Correspondes at Marblehead: Signed by the Town Clerk

Voted — Decn Daniel Mansfield be added to the Com-ittee of Correspondance in the Rume of Josiah Marain Moved out of Town

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At a Town Meeting Legaly Assembled in Lynn Octbr 3d 1774: — For the Choice of Representatives

Voted to Chuse two Persons to Represent them at General Court to be holden at Salem Ebenr Burrill Esqr & Capt John Mansfield were Chose to Attend the General Court afore Sd

Voted to Give there Representitives instructions Then Chose Decn Daniel Mansfield Moderator

Voted three hundred pounds to Defray the town Charges for the Curant year

Voted that the town will not Comince any Needless Law Suitts.
But will Endeaver as far as Posable to prevent them: by Leaving
Debts and Disputs & Trespasses to arbetrators Mutuly Chosen

Voted — the Town will now Chuse twelve Men three in Each
quarter of the Town for the Purpose afor Said

Mens Names — Capt. John Mansfield Edward Johnson Benja
Newhall Decn Abjah Cheever Decn Frances Smith inr Elkeny
Hawkes Decn Daniel Mansfield Decn Nathll Bancroft Liut Nathll
Shermon, James Purington William Eastes and Samuel Collins —
To Be on Committees to Deside Diferances that May happen Between
Man and Man as above Mentioned

Or Any Three of Them

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Notifcation — Lynn Decr 19th 1774

The Freeholders & Other Inhabitints of Sd town Qualified to
Vote as the Law Directs — are hereby Notified to attend a town
Meeting at the Old Meeting house in Sd town on thursday ye 29
Day of Decr Instant at twelve of ye Clock on Sd Day.

first to See if the town will Chuse one or more Delegates to
Represent them in a Provential Congress to be held at Cambridge
on the first Day of february Next Insuing or Sooner of Necessary

2ly to Se what Measures the town will Embrace Effecutly to
Carry into Execution the association of the Contential Congress.

3ly to Se if the town will order al the out Standing Moneys
which was payable to Harison Gray Esqr — To be Emediatly Payd to
Henry Gardner Esqr agreeable to a Resolve of the Provential Congers

4ly also to take into Consideration & act on a Breeff Sent to
the town by the Provintial Congress for ye Releif of the towns of
Boston & Charlstown

5ly to Se if ye town will Grant 85ll—18s—4d to be paid to
the Town Treasurer with orders for him to pay the Same to Henry
Gardner Esqr of Stow

6ly to Se if the town will Raise aqip & Incouriage the Minietmen
agreeable to ye advice of the Congrss

7ly to Se if the town will Direct the Selectmen to take an
account of the manaeactorys used in this town & Report to ye
Continential Congers what part thereof is Made in this town

By order of ye Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill town Cler.

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The Town of Lynn Legaly Assembled Decr 29th 1774 — After the Notification was Read & Consideration thereon Chose Capt. John Mansfield Moderator & as the Meeting was Verey Thin. it was thought Expedient to adjourn—Accordingly the Meeting was adjourned to Thursday Next at twelve of the clock on Sd Day at the Old Meeting house in Said town of Lynn Being the 5th of Janry 1775

The town Meet on the adjournment the Sd 5th of Janry — Capt John Mansfield was Chose Deligat to Represent the town in Provential Congress to be held at Cambridge on the first of Febr Next or Sooner if Nessearey

Voted — The Town Approves of the association

Voted to Chuse a Comitte to Carry into Execution ye Resolves of ye Association

Voted to Chuse Seven men on the Committe

Viz: Capt John Mansfield Doct John Flagg Decn Daniel Mansfield Benja Newhall Decn Nathanl Banorft Abner Chever Esqr & Decn Abjiah Chever Committee

Voted the above Comitte have Pecueler Regard to the Resolves of Association & Provential Congresses

Voted the Out Standing Money which was to be paid to Harson Gray Esqr be Emeaditly paid to Henry Gardner Esqr & the town to Endemnifie the Constables & Collectrs

Voted with Regard to the Breaif for Boston & Charlston be continued to March Meeting next

Voted & Granted Eighty five pounds 18/& 4d—when collected be paid to the town Treasurer for the Use of ye town

Voted the town treasurer Shall pay the 85-18-4 as above Sd to henry Gardner of Stow Esqr

Voted the Articule in the Notification, with Regard to Minite Men be Referd to March Meeting next

Voted the Selectmen take an account of the manyfactory used in this town & Report to the Continental Congrns what part thereof is Made in Sd town of Lynn Meeting Desolved

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Notification For Town Meeting Lynn Febr 20th 1775

Notice is hereby Given to the Freeholders & other Inhabitents of Sd town. Qualified for Voting to attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting house in Sd Town on Munday the Sixth Day of

March Next at ten of the Clock in the forenoon to Chuse a Town Clerk Treasurer Selectmen Constabels & all other town Offesers as the Law Directs — and to Se if the town will Lett their Nahant Beaches, & Sedge Islands & Egg Rock — So Called — and to Se if the town will have the Swine Shett up & the horses fettered in the town or any part there of Also to Se if the town will Chuse a com-itte to Inspect the Schoole in Sd town

& also to see if the town will pay the Charges of Eijah Ingulses Being Moved to the Widow Tarboxes house & for Cleansing Sd house of the Small pox after he Gott weell: and for a house to move the Sd. Widow Tarbox to Live in; while the house was cleansed for her to Returne again

Also To Se if the town will Accept of a Way the Selectmen have Lattly Laid out in the North part of the town

And to Se if the town will Make an addition To the house the town Latly Purchised for the Reception of the Poor, Or Chuse a Committee to Exchange the Same for One that will Acomodate the Town Better

By Order of the Selectmen

Ebenr Burrill town Clerk

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At A General Town Meeting Held in Lynn March 6th 1775
For the Choice of Town Offecers &c

Deacn Daniel Mansfield was Chose Moderator

Benja Newhall, Town Clerk & Selectman

Ebenr Burrill was Chose Town Treasurer for ye Currant year
Selectmen & Assessors — Abijah Chever Ebenr Burrill Decn
Daniel Mansfield William Eastes & Benja Newhall

Constabels & Collectors Ezra Breed Chose to Collect the Rate of the people Calld Quakers they to have a List Seprate & he to have 5d on ye pound

Thomas Hawkes Chose Constable & to Collect the Rate & to have Nine pence on pound for collecting Ye Same Sworn ye 10th

Timothy Monrow Sworn the 10th Chose to Collect the tax in the North part of the town & to have Ninepence on the pound

Daniel Newhall iur Chose to Collect the tax ye Remainder of the Rate in the East part of ye town & to have nine pence on the pound for his Collecting the Same: Sworn ye 10th

Wordens capt Joseph Gowing Nathanel Hutcherson Sworn
Neheamiah Ramsdel Sworn ye 10th Day

Surviers of Highways — Joseph Edmonds Sworn ye 10th
Josiah Breed Sworn Isaiah Breed Sworn ye 10th Thomas Townsend
Sworn 10th

Tithin Men Thomas Coax Sworn Ephrim Newhall Swoarn
Ephriam Larrabe Sworn, Abraham Smith Jacob Inguls Sworn

Fence Viewers James Gowing Sworn ye 10th Rann Graves
Sworn ye 10th William Collins John Batt Jacob Newhall iur Jonathan
Wellman

Hogg Reves — Nathanll Collens Sworn Abednego Ramsdel
Sworn ye 10 Theophs Breed Nathan Newhall Sworn ye 10 Jabez
Newhall Sworn Ebenr Stocker both Sworn 10 William Mansfield
Sworn James Brown Sworn

Leather Sealers — James Newhall & William Farington

Surviers of Lumber — Ephriam Breed Moses Hudson Eleazer
Collins Inguls

Caller of Fish — Nathan Breed Sworn the 10th Day of March

Wood Sealers — Incress Newhall Benja Massey these 2 Sworn
ye 10th James Purington Robrt Mansfield Jur Jacob Newhall Jr.

Bread Weighers — Rufus Mansfield Sworn Joseph Turill
Sworn ye 10 & Samuel Collins Jur

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Clerk of the Market — Edward Johnson Sworn the 10 Day
of March Instant

Com-ittee to take Care ye Fish be not obstructed in their
passage up Stream & Down Capt John Mansfield Decn Joseph Gray
James Gowing John Swain Edward Johnson Caleb Downing Jr
Rufus Mansfield Benja Massey all Sworn ye 10 Day and William
Farington

Nahant Beaches — Lett to Joseph Gaskel for 5/Lawfull the
town to have the Same Priviledges as Usual heretofore

Sedge Island — Lett to David Parker the Currant year for 20/
Lawfull Money: Egg Rock not Lett

Swine Voted out in the North Parish

Voted, With Regard to Boston port Bill & the Breaff Reco-
mended which was put Over to this meeting after Some Debate
there on the question was put if the town would act there on at
this meeting & it passes in the Negetive

Voted when the Minit Men are Raised Listed & aquipt they
Shall have one Shilling Each for Each half Day to Encouriage them

to meet two half Days in a week to Exercise till ye town order
Otherwise

Voted to have three Officers A Captain first and Second Lieutenant for Each Company

Voted Each Captain Shall have 6/ for Each two half Days:
First & Second Letnt 4/ Each for Each two half Days

Voted — they Be under armes three hours Each half Day

That articule in the Notification with Regard to the towns
paying the Charge of Elijah Ingalses Being Movd to the Widow
Tarboxes house on account of his having the Smole pox was put to
Vote & pased in the Negative

The Last Cloase in the Notification with Regard to the house
for the Better Accomadation of the poor

Voted to Chuse a Com-itte to Consider what is Best for the
town: and Report

Voted Com-itte Capt John Mansfield Decn Danil Mansfield
Benja Newhall Theopls Breed & John Hawks Then Meeting adjornd
to this Day fortnite at three of the Clock afternoon

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Lynn February 9th 1775 — Application Being Made to the
Selectmen of Sd town, By a Number of Inhabitents & propriators
of the North parish in Sd town to Lay out a way. — Accordingly
the Selectmen this Day Attended that Service (after having Viewed)
Lad out a way: Viz Through Thomas Townsends Land to a Medow
Calld Tophat. where is a Casway & Used for a privet way for many
years. Being the property of Nathanel Shermon So on as the way
Now & for a Long time been used) So on through Land of Ebenr
Swinertons as the way now is used — So on as the way is used
through the Sd Shermons Land out to Reading Rhoad — it is agreed
and it is So to be understood that the above Named Thomas Town-
send Nathael Shermon & Ebenr Swinerton: Give their Land for
Sd way Provided these propriators have Liberty to Hang Gates, &
Keep them in Repair across Sd Way

Lynn March 6th 1775: the above Repor was Laid before the
town at a full meeting . & the town accepted the Report

Ebenr Burrill	}	Selectmen of Lynn	}	Thomas Townsend
Danel Mansfield				Nathall Shermon
Benja Newhall				Ebenr Swinerton

March 20, 1775 Then The Town Met aCording to adiourment
and Choas Ezra Newhall fence Veiwer

Tithing Men Nathaniel Hutcherson Jur & Jacob Inguls Jur Sworn
field Drivers Theophilus Breed Asa Newhall Josiah Breed
Benja Tarbox Sworn William Richardson Joshua Danforth

Hog Reue Benja Bowden Sworn March 23: 1775 Benja Tarbox
Sworn

fish Commite Robert Mansfield Jur

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Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn Apl 23: 1775 Notis
is hearby Given to the freeholders and other of the Inhabitents
of Sd Town to attend a Town Meeting on this Day as five of the
Clock afternoon at the old meeting hous to Chuse a Committee to
Meet the Several Committes from the other Towns in this County
to Imbrace Such Mesuers as they Shall think Best: for to Defend
the Sea Ports and also act on any other thing the Town Shall think
Best at Sd Meeting

By order of the Selectmen

Benja Newhall Town Clark

At a Town Meeting assembled this 23 Day of Apl.: 1775 after
the Notification was Red and Consideration there on Chose Dec.
Daniel Mansfield Moderator of Sd Meeting

Voted to Chuse a Commite Consisting of three Men to Joyne
With the other Commites to Consult Sum Mesuers to Defend the
Sea Ports

2ly Voted that Dec. Daniel Mansfield, the Reverend Mr. Joseph
Robey and the Reverend Mr. John Tredwell Serve on Sd. Commite

3ly Voted that the Larrim Men Meet togeathe and Chuse
offisers for Sd Compenny and View arms

4ly Voted that all the Men that are a Bliged to Bair arms in
Either of the Lists: that they Meet and View their arms all in one
day: Viz: that the two East Compeneys with the Larrim Men in
Sd. Compennies Meet at the old meeting house: the west Compenny
with the Larrim Men in Sd. Compenny to Meet at Mr. Jacob Newhalls
Innholders:: and the Compenny in the North Parrish at Mr. Ezekiel
Gowings Inholder all the aBove Compennies to Meet on thusday the
27 Instant at 3 of the Clock afternoon

5ly Voted That the Minnit Men Receive Billiting in Proportion
to the Rest of the army

6ly Voted that their be a watch kept in the Town to Consist of twelve men Each and Every Night

7ly Voted that Benja Newhall Serve as a head to Sett Sd watch and that the Selectmen assist in Seting Sd watches if Requiard

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Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn Apl: 27th 1775 Notis is hereby Given to the freeholders and other Inhabitents of Sd. Town to attend a Meeting at the old Meeting house in Sd. Town at five of the Clock this Afternoon: to See what Methord Will Be Best With Regard to Billiting and Keeping the Minnit Comeny Imbodyed: all or Part of them for the Defence of the Town: or otherways to act on that or any other things they Shall think Best at Sd. Meeting

By order of the Selectmen

Benja Newhall Town Clark

At a Town Meeting assembeld this 27 Day of Apl: 1775 Dec. Daniel Mansfield Choas Moderator of Sd: Meeting Voted to Chuse a Committe to Go to the General Cort or the Congress or otherways: to know whether the Minnit Company are Under the Pay of the Town or Province

2nd Voted that Decn: Nathl: Bancroft Mr: Edward Johnson and Doc: John Flagg be Sd. Committe as a Bove

3ly Voted that the Minnit Company be kept Imbodyed and be Supplied By the Town till further orders

4ly Voted that this Meeting be adiournd to tusday the Second Day of May Next at four of the Clock afternoon at this house

May 2th: 1775

Then the Town Met according to adiourment

5ly Voted that the Minnit Compeny Receive No More Pay from the Town

6ly Voted that the Selectmen Send a Request to the Commite of Safty for Part of the Troops to be Stationed in Lynn for our Safty, and to asist in keeping watches

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Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn May 12th. 1775 The Freeholders and other Inhabitents of Sd. Town that have an estate of freehold in Land Within this Province or territory of forty Shillings pr: annum at the Least: or other Estate to the Value of forty Pound Sterling: are hearby Notified to Assembl at the Old

Meeting house in Sd. Town on Thusday the Eigtheenth Day of May Instant at two of the Clock afternoon: then & there to Elect & Depute one or More Persons to Serve for or Represent the Sd. Town in a Provencal Congres to be held at the Meeting house in Watertown on the 31 Day of May Instant

2ly to See if the Town Will Make a Grant of Money to Defray the Charges of the Town for the Currant year and also to act on any other thing or things that the Town Shall think Proper at Sd Meeting —

By order of the Select Men —

Benja Newhall Town Clark.

At a Town Meeting assembeld This 18 Day of May 1775 Then the Town Maid Choice of Dec. Nathl Bancroft to Represent the Town of Lynn in a Provencal Congress to be held at Watertown on the 31 Day of May Instant

Voted — that Ebenezer Burrill Esqr Serve as Moderator of Sd. Meeting

2ly Voted that the Town Rais one Hundred and fifty Pound to Defray the Charges of the Town for the Current year —

3ly Voted that Mr. Edward Johnson & Benja Newhall be added to the Commite of Corrispondance — and that any three of Sd Committee be a Coram to act on any thing that May be Laid befour Sd Commite

4ly Voted that Esqr Burrill: Give Permits to Persons to Pass as they Shal have occasion and that he Signe Sd Permits as a Magistrat

5ly Voted that their be a Watch Kept at the Lower Landin So Cald and also Voted that Capt: David Parker be Capt: of Sd: watch (and that) and the Rest of the Watches be Continued or Dismist at the Pleasure of the Select-Men

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Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn May 26: 1775 The Freeholders and other Inhabitents of Sd Town that have an Estate of freehold in Land Within this Province or Teretory of forty Shillings pr. annum at the Least or other Estate to the Value of forty Pounds Sterling are hearby Notified to Assembl at the old Meeting house in Sd: Town on Munday the Twenty Ninth Day of May Instant at two of the clock afternoon Then an there to Elect and Depute one or more Persons to Serve for or Represent the Sd Town in a Provincial Congress to be held at the Meeting hous

in Watertown on the 31st Day of May Instant: in the Room of Dec: Nathl Bancroft who was: Choas at the Last Meeting But the Sircumstances of his famely Being Such he Declind Serving

and Also to act on anything or things the Town Shall think Best at Sd Meeting

By order of the Select Men

Benja Newhall Town Clark

At a Town Meeting assembl'd this 29 Day of may 1775 — Then the Town Maid Choice of Mr: Edward Johnson to Represent this Town in a Provincial Congress to be held at Watertown on the 31st Day of May Instant, in the Room of Dec: Nathl Bancraft who Was Choas at the Last meeting But the Sircomstances of his famely Being Such Refusd

Voted that Ebenezer Burrill Esqr Serve as Moderator for Sd meeting

2ly: Voted that Capt. Rufas Mansfield & Capt. William farrington Serve as Captins of the watches for the Bodey of the Town

3ly Voted that the Captains of the Watches Notifye Each Person three Days Befour the Time of Watching: and those Persons that Shall Refuse (Being Duly Notified) they Shall forfeit the Sum of two Shilling for Every time it shall Come to their turn to watch: and the Captins of Sd. watches Shall keep a List of those Persons So Neglecting to watch and Returne it to the assessors of this Town for them to Put it into their Next Town Rait.

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Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn July 3th: 1775

The Freeholders and other Inhabitents of Sd Town that have an Estate of Freehold in Land Within This Province or Territory of Forty Shilling pr: annum at the Least or other Estate to the Value of forty Pounds Sterling are hearby Notified to assembl at the old meeting hous in Sd Town on Wednesday the Twelvth day of July Instant at three of the Clock afternoon then and there to Elect and Depute one or More Persons to Serve for and Represent them in a Grait and General Cort or assembly to be Convend held and Kept for the Service of this Colony untill the Last Wednesday of May Next (if Necesery and on Longer) at the meeting house in Watertown upon Wednesday the Ninteenth day of July Instant a Greeabel to the Resolve to the Continential Congress

And Also to Act on any other thing the Town Shall think Proper at Sd. meeting —

By order of the Select-Men

Benja Newhall Town Clark

At a Town meeting Legaly aSembeld this 12th Day of July 1775 Agreabel to the four Going Notification maid Choice of Mr. Edward Johnson to Serve for and Represent them the Current year in a Grait and General to be held at Watertown

After the Choice of the Representative as ABove Ebenezer Burrill Esqr was Choas Moderator for the Transating the Remainder of the Busines of Sd: meeting

Voted to Chuse a Commite to Joyn with a Commite from Malden to Go to the Cort to Request them to Put a Stop to the unnessary traviling of Persons and Teams on the Lord s Day

Voted that the Revd: Mr. Robey the Revd: Mr: Treadwell Ebenezer Burrill Esqr and Mr: Samll Burrill be on Sd. Comite as a Bove

Voted that the Town Will comply with the Request of the congress in Regard of Carring their arms to meeting on the Saboth and othe meeting Days

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Notification for a Town meeting Lynn Jany. 10. 1776 The Freeholders and other Inhabitents of Sd. Town Quallified to Vote as the Law Directs, are hearby notified to attend a Town meeting at the old meeting hous in Sd. Town on Munday the Fifteenth Day of ths Instant Jany at three of the Clock afternoon

To See What methord the Town Will Take to Procuer the Hay Sent for and Send it to Cambredge Camp aGreabel to a Late Resolve of the General Cort:

By order of the Selectmen

Benja. Newhall Town Clark.

At a Town Meeting assembeled this 15th Day of Jany. 1776 aGreabel to the four Going Notification the Town Met and Voted that Decn Daniel Mansfield Serve as Moderator of Sd Meeting

2ly Voted that the Select-men Be a Commite to Purchis the hay Sent for By the General Cort and Send it to Cambredge Camp as cheap as they Can and the Town to pay What it Should Cost over what the Cort has Sett it at

1776 Notification for a Town: Meeting Lynn Feb:y 22: 1776
The Freeholder and other Inhabitents of Sd Town Qualified for
Voting as the Law Directs to attend a Town Meeting to be held at
at the old meeting hous in Sd. Town on Munday the fourth Day
of March Next at ten of the Clock in the fournoon in order to
Chuse a Town Clark Treasurer Selectmen Constabels and all other
officers as By Law Required

2ly To See if the Town Will Lett Nehant Beaches and their
Sedge Islands

3ly To See if the Town Will Lett the Swine go at Large and the
Horses Without fetters in any Part of Sd Town

4ly To See if the Town Will Chuse overseers for the Poor
of Sd Town

5ly To See if the Town Will Chuse a Committe to Take Care
of the Intrest Left the Town by Mr. Joseph Gould Dect and Make
Report at the Next May Meeting —

6ly To See if the Town Will Voat for a County Regester of
Deeds

7ly To See if the Town Will Chuse a Committe of Corrispond-
ance Inspection and Safty Agreabel to a Late Resolve of the
General Cort

8ly To See What the Town Will Do Respecting that Part
of the Last years highway Rate that is Not Workt out

By order of the Select-Men

Benja Newhall Town Clark

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Lynn March 4th. 1776

At a General Town Meeting Legualy Assembled Dec. Daniel
Mansfield Choas Moderator for Sd. Meeting Benja: Newhall Choas
Clark assesor Select-Man & Sworn Dec: John Burrage Choas
Treasurer for Sd: Town & Sworn

Select-men and assessors Samll. Swetser James Purington John
Perkins and James Newhall and all Sworn to their officeses

Cunstabels Thomas Hawks Sworn: Elazer Lindsey Sworn John
Orn William Mansfield Choas as ye adiournment and Sworn

Wardins Josiah Rhoads Aaron Newhall James Gowin Sworn

Survairs of Highways — Isaiah Breed Sworn Josiah Breed
Sworn Leut: John Upton Sworn Joseph Edmunds Sworn

Tithing Men Ephiram Newhall Sworn Ephiram Larribe Sworn.
Ephiram Rhoads Sworn Adom Hawks Samuell Boardman Theophilus Breed

Fence Viewers James Gowin Sworn: Jonathan Welman Rand
Graves William Collins John Basset Sworn Isaiah Newhall John
Batts Sworn Jacob Newhall Jur. Sworn

Hog Reves Adom Hawk Sworn: John Burrill Jur. Sworn:
Joseph Gaskil Sworn Amos Breed Jur Sworn Samll: Mansfield
Sworn — Robert Williams Samll Breed Sworn Daniel Breed Sworn
Nehemiah Ramsdill Sworn

feald Drivers Asa Newhall Henry Bachelor

Leather Sealers Capt William Farrington Leut. James: Newhall
Clark of the market Mr. Edward Johnson

Survair of Lumber Samll. Silsbe

Wood Sealers Increas Newhall Sworn Benja. Massay James
Purington Robert Mansfield — Jacob Newhall Jur

Bread Wairs — Joseph Turel Sworn Rufas Mansfield Sworn

Fish commite Colo. John Mansfield Sworn James Gowin Sworn
Edward Johnson Sworn Caleb Downing Jur. Capt. Rufas Mansfield
Sworn Benja. Massey Capt. William Farrington Robert Mansfield
Richard Mansfield Edward Johnson Jur Nathl Hutcherson Jur

Commite to take Care of ye Beaches Isaiah Breed: Pharoah
Newhall & Isaac Basset and The Town to Have the Same Privelg
as usual

Sedge Island Lett to Josiah Newhall he Paying to the Town
Five Dollers and three Quarters for the Currant year

Voted that the Hogs go at Large the Currant year

Caller of Fish Nathan Breed

Carried up to the other Side

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Voted That the Constables or Colector Shall Have Nine Pence
on Each Pound they Shall Colect for the Currant year they Giveing
Bonds to the Satisfaction of the assessors for ye Same

Voted to Chuse oversear for the Poor of Sd. Town: and maid
Choice of Theophilus Breed Samll. Collins and Joseph Ballard:
But upon the adornment of this meeting the Sd. Oversears Ware
Excused from Serving By a Vot of Sd. Town

Voted That the Selectmen be a Commite to take Care of the
Interest Left the Town by Mr. Joseph Gould Dect: and the Sd.
Commite Recving it to Give a Recit in Behalf of Sd. Town

Voted that Colo John Mansfield Abnor Chever Esqr. Doc: John Flagg Samll: Burrill Dec. Daniel Mansfield and Aded on the adiounment of this meeting Theophilus Breed & Daniel Newhall Jur to be a Commite of Corrispondance Inspection and Safty

Voted That the Survairs of highways Work out the Remainder of the Last years highway Rate this year

Voted that this meeting be adiourned to Munday the Eleventh Day of this Instant March at three of the Clock in the afternoon at the old Meeting hous —

Lynn March 11 1776 Then the Town Met aGreabel to adiounment Voted That the Select-Men Prosacute Mr: John Orn for his Refusing to Serve as Constabel

Lynn March 8: 1776

Notification for a Town Meeting: the Freeholders and other Inhabitents of this Town Qualified for Voting as the Law Directs to attend a Town meeting to be held at the old meeting hous in Sd Town on Munday the Eleventh of this Instant March at three of the Clock in the Afternoon To Se if the Town will Imbrace any measuers for Procuring and Keeping a Watch for the Defense and Safty of Sd. Town

By order of ye Selectmen

Benja Newhall Town Clark

At a Town Meeting Legually asembled This 11 Day of March 1176

Dec. Daniel Mansfield Choas moderator

Voted That the Selectmen and Abnor Chever Esqr Set the Number of Persons that are to Keep watch for the Safty of ye: Town and Whair they Shall watch

Voted That the Captins of the Compeny Set Said Watches

Voted that the Survairs of highways alow to Each Team that Shall Work on the Highways four Shillings Exclusive of the Driver

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Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn Apl: 19: 1776 The Freeholders and other Inhabitents of Sd: Town Qualified for Voting as the Law Directs are hearby Notified to attend a Town Meeting to be Held at the Old Meeting House in Sd. Town on Munday the Twenty: Second day of This Instant Apl: at three of the Clock in ye. afternoon To See if the Town Will Chuse a Deligate for a County convention to be held at Ipswich on the Twenty Second of

of this Instant Apl: aGreabel to a Request of the Commites of
Corripondants Inspection and Safty of Salem & Marbelhead

By order of the Select-Men

Benja: Newhall Town Clark

At a Town Meeting Legually Assembled this 22 of Apl: 1776
Dec. Daniel Mansfield was Choas moderator of Sd: Meeting

Voted that Mr. Samll: Burrill Serve as a Deligate at the County
Convention to be Held at Ipswich on the 25th of this Intant Apl:
In order to Petition to the General Cort for a Just and fair Repre-
sentation at Sd. Cort or otherway as he the Sd. Deligate Shall
think Best

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Notification For a Town Meeting Lynn May 18: 1776

The Freeholders and other Inhabitents of Sd: Town that have
an Estate of Freehold in Land Within this Province or Territory
of Forty Shilling Per Annum at the Least or other Estate to the
Value of Forty Pounds Sterling are hearby Notified to assembl
at the old Meeting house in Sd. Town on Tusday the Twenty first
Day of May Instant at three of the Clock afternoon Then and there
to Elect and Depute one or more Persons to Serve for and Represent
them in a Grate and General Cort or Assembly to be Convened held
and Kept for the Government Servis at the Meeting hous in
Watertown upon Wednesday the Twenty ninth Day of may Instant

2ly To See if the Town Will make a Grant of Money to Defray
the charges of the Sd. Town for the Current year

3ly To See if the Town Will Give their Debety Instructions
aGreabel to a Late Resolve of the Cort and also to Act on Any
other thing or things they Shall think Proper at Sd Meeting

By order of the Selectmen

Benja Newhall Town Clark

At a Town Meeting Legually Assembled this 21 of May 1776

Voted that the Select-men Invite the Several Minesters to come
to the anaual Meetings in order to Begin the Meeting With Prayer

Then the Town Made Choice of Mr: Edward Johnson to
Represent them in the General Cort for the Insuing year

Dec: Nathaniel Bancraft Choas moderator for to finish the
other Business of Sd meeting

Voted to Raise three Hundred Pound to Defray the Charges
of the Town for the Current year

Voted that this Town Will agree to and abide By any measures that the Continental Congress Shall think Best to embrace for the Good of this Continent —

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Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn July 12:1776 The Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Sd. Town Qualified for Voting as the Law Directs are hereby Notified to attend a Town meeting to be held at the old meeting house in Sd. Town on Monday the Fifteenth Day of this Instant July at four of the Clock afternoon To See if the Town will Raise a Sum of money for those Soldiers that are now to be Raised for the Expedition at Canaday: and if they Shall See fit to Raise any: in What way or Manner they will Raise it —

By order of the Select-Men

Benja. Newhall Town Clerk

At a Town Meeting Legally assembled This 15 of July 1776 a Greabel to the above Notification Dec. Daniel Mansfield Was Chosen moderator for Sd. meeting

Voted that ye Town Will Give Ninty one pounds to those ten men Now to be Raised for the Expedition against Canaday the one half to be Drawn out of the Tresurey of Sd. Town: and the other half the Town is to be assessed for in the Next Town Rate

2ly Voted that the Select-men and commishoned officers Procure Guns for those men Going to Canaday that Cant Provide for themselves they Giveing Secuerty to Sd. Select-men & officers for Sd. Guns

3ly Voted that the Select-men Recive of the Executors of Mr. Joseph Gould Debt the money (or Noats of hand to their Satisfaction) for the Legesy Left the Town by Sd. Gould

Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn July 18: 1776 The Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Sd. Town Qualified for Voting as the Law Directs are hereby Notified to attend a Town Meeting to be held at the old meeting house on Monday the Twenty Second day of this Instant July at four of the Clock afternoon To See if the Town Will Raise a Sum of Money for those Soldiers that are Now to be Raised for the Defence of the United Colonies and if they Shall See fit to Raise any in What way or Manner they will Raise it

By order of the Select-Men

Benja. Newhall Town Clerk

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At a Town Meeting Legually assembled this 22 Day of July 1776
Second
aGreabel to the fourgoin Notification Dec. Daniel Mansfield was
Draft of
Choas moderator
Men for

Voted that the Town Will Pay to Each Soldier Going in ye
Canaday

Servis to Canaday the Sum of ten Pounds the one half to be taken
out of the Town Tresury and the other half the Town is to be
assessed for in the Nex Town Rate

Voted that the Select-men are hearby Impouered to hiar a
Sufficient Sum of money for those Soldiers Going in the army if
there is Not a Nough in the Tresure

Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn July 31: 1776 The
Freeholders and other Inhabitents of Sd Town Qualified for Voting
as the Law Directs are hearby Notified to attend a Town meeting
to be held at the old meeting hous in Sd Town on Fryday the
Second Day of Augt. Nex Insuing at four of the Clock afternoon

To see if the Town Will Rais a further Sum of money for
those Soldiers Now Raising for the Defence of the Colonies: the
Last Voat of the Town not Being Suffishant to Procuer the men:
and if they Shall see fit to Rais any in What Way or Maner they
Will Rais it

By order of the Select-Men

Benja. Newhall Town Clark

At a Town Meeting Legually assembled This Second Day of
Augt. 1776 aGreabel to the fourgoing Notification for Raising money
for the Soldiers for the Defence of the Colonies

Dec. Daniel Mansfield was Choas moderator of Sd. Meeting
Voted that the Town will aLow five pounds to Each of those ten
Soldiers now to be Raised as a further addition to what was Voted
at the Last meeting: — and also Voted that if it Shall be Thought
fit by the Select-men and feald officers to Rais a Eleventh man
that there be a further addition of five Pounds for Sd. man: and
also Voted that the money be Drawn out of the Tresurey

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Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn Sept. 28, 1776 The Freholders and other Inhabitents of this Town are hearby Notified to attend a Town Meeting at the old Meeting hous in Said Town on Tusday the first Day of October Next in Sewing, at three of the Clock Afternoon

To See if the Town Will Give their Consent that ye Present General Cort Should Consult, a gree on, and Enact, Such a Constitution and form of Government for this State as the Said Cort shall Judge Will be for the Safty peas, and Happiness of this State: a Greabel to a Late Resolve of Said Cort

2ly — To See if the Town Will Pay the Charges of Raising the Soldiers that are Now Raied to Go to New York and Return the money to those Persons a Gain that have advanced it — a Greabel to a Petition for that purpas or otherway Act on Said Petition as they Shall think Best —

3ly — To See if the Town Will Sell the Grait Gun belonging to Said Town: and also the Barn Belonging to the Work hous:

By Order of the Select-Men

Benja. Newhall Town Clark

At a Town Meeting Legually assembled this first Day of October: 1776 aGreabel to the four Going Notification: Dec. Daniel Mansfield wa Coas. moderator

Voted that the Parragraft in the notification Refering to the form of Government be Referred to the adiournment of this meeting

2ly Voted That those men that have advanced the money to the Soldiers that are Gone in the armye a Greabel to the four Going Notification: that they be Paid their money aGain by the Town

and also that those men that are Gone on their one aCcount in the Sam Compeny Receve on a Nauerig with the Rest from Sd. Town

3ly Voted the Grait Gun and Barn be Sold for the Benifit of the Town

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4ly Voted That this meeting Be adiourned to Tusday the Eight Day of this Instant october at three of the Clock afternoon

Octr 8:1176 Then the Town Met aGreabel to adiournment — and after Considerabe Debate and Consideration on that Part of the Notification Conserving the form of Goverment the Town Came to a Vote

Voted — That the Present Hous of Representative of this State of the Massachuset Bay: together With the Council if they Consent in one Body With the Hous and by Equal Voice May, Consult, a Gree on, and Enact, Such a Constitution and form of Goverment for this State as they Shall Judge Will Most Conduce to the Safty, Peas and Happiness thereof: in all after Generations, in Case that the Same Shall be Published and Laid befour the Several Towns in this State for their apprebation: Befour the Ratification by the assembly

Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn Novem 27: 1776 The Freeholders and other Inhabitents of This Town Qualified as the Law Directs are hearby Notified to attend a Town Meeting to be held at the old Meeting hous in Sd. Town on Munday the Second Day of December Next Insuing at three of the Clock afternoon — To See if the Town Will Give the Soldiers that are now to be Raised for the Defence of the Amerrican States any Incurragement to inlist into Said Servis, or otherways aGree Whith them as they Shall think Best —

By order of the Selectmen

Benja. Newhall Town Clark

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At a Town Meeting Legualy assembeled This Second Day of December 1776 and aGrabel to the fourgoing Notification: Abnor Chever Esqr Was Choas moderator of Sd. meeting

Voted That the Soldiers that are Now to be Raisèd for the Army have ten Pounds Paid to Each man as a Bounty: When Redy to march for ye army

Voted that there be Paid to Each Man that Shall List twenty Shillings upon his Listing as Part of the aBove Bounty

Voted that the Select-men bee and Hearby are Impowerd to hiar money to Pay the Soldiers as a Bove

Voted that the Treasurer bee Directed to Call in all the Towns Debts as Soon as he Can Conveniently

A Notification for a Town Meeting Lynn Feb:y 27:1777 The Freeholder and other Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Qualified for Voting as the Law Directs are hearby Notified to attend a Town metting to be held at the old metting hous in Sd: Town on Munday the Third Day of march Next at ten of the Clock in the Fournoon—to Chuse a Town Clark, Tresurer, Select-men, Constabels and all other officers as the Law Directs

2ly To See if the Town will Limmit the Time for the Alwives
Passing up the Several Streams into the Ponds in Sd: Town

3ly — To See if the Town Will Grant the Sundry Peases of
Land to those Persons that have taken them in & Paid for them

4ly To See if the Town Will Lett Nehant Beches & Sedge
Islands in Sd Town

5ly To See if the Town Will Let the Swine Go at Large and
the Horses Without fetters in any Part of Sd: Town

6ly To See if the Town Will Chuse a Commitee of Corrispond-
ance Inspection and Safty for Sd: Town

7ly — To See if the Town will Chuse oversear for the Poor of
Sd: Town

8ly To Se if the Town Will Imbrace any Mesuers to Rais the
men that are to be Raised for the Defence of these States

By order of the Selectmen

Benja. Newhall Town Clark.

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At a Town metting Legually asembled This Third Day of
March 1777 for the Choice of Town officers &c Colo: John Mansfield
Choas Moderator of Sd: metting

Benja: Newhall Choas Clark Select man & assesor Sworn
Decn. John Burrage Tresurer Sworn

Selectmen & asesors James Purington Samll: Swetser Capt John
Perkins Leut. James Newhall all Sworn —

Constabls — Thomas Hawks Sworn Ezra Burrill Sworn Leut:
Nathaniel Shearman Sworn

Wardens Josiah Rhoads James Gowin Sworn Ignatius Rhoads
Sworn

Survairs of highways Isaiah Breed Sworn Timothy Munro
Sworn Joseph Edmunds Sworn Ezra Breed Sworn

Tithing Men Ephiram Newhall Ephiram Larribe Theophilas
Breed Benja Gouldthwrite Sworn

Fence Veiwers Thomas Stocker, Joseph Edmunds John Basset
Isaiah Breed Samll Mansfield John Burnham all the Fence Viewers
Sworn

Hog Reves Nehemiah Ramsdil Sworn, Ralph Merry Sworn
John Basset Sworn Mathew Estes Samll. Collins Jur: Jonathan
Welman James Brown Sworn Benja. B. Redan Sworn Nathan
Hawks Sworn Ezra Coats Lemawell Allin

Field Drivers Henry Bachelor Sworn Asa Newhall Sworn
Lather Sealers Lt James Newhall Capt: William Farrington
Clark of Market Edward Johnson
Survairs of Lumber Samll: Silsbe Ephiram Breed
Wood Sealers Increas Newhall Sworn Benja. Massey Sworn
James Purrington Sworn Jacob Newhall Jur Henry Bachelor Sworn
Robert Mansfield Jonathan Brown Turn Over

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The Remainder of March Metten for 1777 Bread Wayers Benja
Masey Sworn Capt: Rufas Mansfield Swoarn

Fish Committe Colo: John Mansfield Sworn Capt: Willm
Farrington Edward Johnson — Benja: Massey Edward Johnson Jur
Robert Mansfield Sworn, Richard Mansfield Sworn Henry Burchsted
Ezra Burrill James Going Sworn Timothy Munro Sworn Nathl:
Hutcherson Sworn Henry Bachelor Sworn

Committe to take Care of the Beach Isaiah Breed Pharoah
Newhall Isaac Basset

Voted Mr. Josiah Newhall have the Sedge Islands the Currant
year he Paying Eight Dollers there for

Commite of Corrispondanc Inspection & Safty

Voted that Doct. John Flagg Colo. John Mansfield Samll:
Burrill Decn: Daniel Mansfield Daniel Newhall Thomas Stocker &
Benja. Johnson Serve for the Currant Year

Voted That the Town Will Give to Each man that Shall Inlist
in the Service of this Stat for This Town for Three Years or During
the war the Sum of Fourteen Pounds to be Paid By the Select men

Voted That if any man have alredy Inlisted into Said Servis
and Have Recd: any Sum of money Short of the aBove Bounty
that he be maid up that Sum: and the Person to be Reimbusted that
Money be Paid by the Town

Voted That the Time Limmited for the Alwives having a Clear
and free Pass up the Streams into the Ponds be from the Twentieth
Day of Aperil to the Eighteenth Day of June following

Voted That the Several Peases of the Town Land that have
Been taken in and Paid for to the Commit for that Purpas Be
Rcorded to those Persons that Purchast Same

Voted That the Selectmen Imbrace the Best means they Can
to Procuer the Money to Pay the Soldiers Going in the army By
hiaring or otherways

Voted That this metting be adiourned to the 17 of this Instant at thre of the Clock afternoon

March 17 1777 Then the Town Met aGreabel to adiournment and choas Sum hogreves &c as they are Rcorded with the Rest by that Reason they are not mentioned hear: Then this metting was adioured to the 20 of this Instant When the Town Met a Greabel Thereto: and Maid Choice of Ezra Burrill to Serve as Constabe for the Current year

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Notifcation for a town Meeting Lyn May the 16th 1777 The Freeholders & Other Inhabitents of Sd: Town That,have an Estate of Freehold in Land within this State or Territory of forty Shillings per annum at the Least or Other Estate to the Vallue of Fifty pounds Starling are Hereby Notified to Assemble at the Old Meeting House in Sd: Town on Thursday the 22d Day of May Instant at three of the Clock After Noon then & their to Elect & Deppute one or More Persons to Serve for & Represent them in a Grate and General Cort to be Conveaned Held and Kept for the Service of this State at the State House in Boston on Wednesday the Twenty Eighth Day of this Instant May

2dly To See if the Town will Make a Grant of Money to Defray the charges of the Town for the Currant Year

3dly To See if the Town Will Give their Debety Instructions aGreeable to a Late Resolve of the Genaral Cort

4thly To See if the Town Will mak Any Addition to the Wages of those that work on the Highways

5thly To See if the Town will Impower the Selectmen To Procure A House for those that May be taken with the Small pox by Purchising or Otherways as they Shall See fit

6thly To See if the Town Will Accept of a way laid Out by the Selectmen from the Road through John Hawks pasture to Mr. Jonathan Tarbals Farm

By Order of the Selectmen

Benja. Newhall Town Clark

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At A Town Meeting Legaly Asembled this 22d Day of May 1777 the Following Vots was passed — Viz

1st To Choose one Person to Represent Sd Town

2 Edward Johnson Serve for & Represent the Town The Currant Yeare at the Grate and General Cort To be Held at Boston

Voted 3dly Decn Daniel Mansfield be Moderator for Transacting The Remainder of the Bisness of Sd. Meeting

Voted 4thly To Raise Five Hnudred pounds to Defray Town Charges

Voted 5thly That the Representative Joyn with the Counsel in Drawing up a form of Government for this State

Voted 6thly To Raise the prise of Work at Highways to three Shillings per Day

Voted 7thly That a teem be Set at five Shillings per Day at Highways

Voted 8thly That the Selectmen procure a House to put persons In that May be Taken With the Small pox

Voted 9thly The Selectmen Look out for a House & Make a Return at the Next town Meeting

Voted 10thly To Refer the Last Claues in the Warrant to the Next Town Meeting

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The freeholders & Other Inhabitence of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Directs are Hereby Notified to asamble at the Old Meeting House in Sd. Lynn on Tuesday the 'Tenth Day of this Instant June at Three O'clock After Noon

1st To See if the Town Will Choose a Town Clark & a Selectmam in the Room & Stead of Benja. Newhall Late of Lynn Decd

2dly To See if the Town Will Choose a Committe to Prepare the House to put Persons into that May be Taken with the Small Pox if the Town Sees Cause to Accept of the Return of The Selectmen Agreeable to a Vote of the Town at their Last Town Meeting

3dly To See if the Town Will Choose Som Persons to Cary Into Exuction the Act to Prevent Menopoly and Oprescion Agreeable to a Late Act of the General Court —

Lynn June 2nd 1777

James Purintun	}	Selectn
James Newhall		
Samuel Sweetser		

At a Town Meeting held at Lynn the 10th Day of June 1777
William Collins Chosen Town Clark in the Room of Benja
Newhall Deceased & Sworn the 12th

Voted 2nd William Collins Selectman

Voted 3dly Not to Accept the Return of the Selectmen in
Looking out a House for the Small pox

Voted 4ly To Choose A Committee to Provide a House to put
Persons in that My have the Small pox

Voted 5ly Theophilus Breed Coll John Mansfield & Josiah Breed
be a Committee preepare a House To put persons in that May be
Taken With the Small pox

Voted 6ly That their Shall be five Men in the Comittee to put
the Regulating Acts of the Court in Exucution

Voted 7ly Samuel Smith Capt Joseph Gowing Mair. David
Parker Capten Rufus Mansfield Josiah Breed

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Be a Committee to put the Acts of the General Court to prevent
Menopoly & Oprescion in Exceution

8ly That they Accapt of the Return of the Selectmen in Laying
Out A Road Through John Hawkes pasture To Jonathan Tarbels
Land

This is to Notify the Freeholder & Other of the Inhabitence of
the Town of Lynn Quallified to Vote as the Law Directs to Attend
a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Lynn on Tusday the
First Day of July Next at Foure Oclock After Noon to Choose a
County Registrer of Deeds in the Room of Timo Pickering Esqr

2dly To See if the Town will Give the Committee Chosen To
Provide a House to put Persons in that May be Taken With the
Small Pox any Further power

3dly To See if the Town Will Provide a Stock of ammanition
Lynn June the 26th 1777

by Order of the Selectmen

William Collins Town Clark

At A Town Meeting Held in Lynn July the 1st 1777 Decn
Daniel Mansfeild Chosen Moderator

Brought in Vots for a County Regiester of Deeds

Voted The Comittee Chosen at the Last Meeting to Provide A
House to put persons in that my be Taken With the Small pox By
or Buld a House for that purpus

Voted Richard Breed & Capt Holten Johnson be added To the Afore Sd Committee to Provid a House for the Small pox

Voted The Selectmen Provide a Stock of ammantion for the Town

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At a Town Meeting Held in Lynn the 13 days of august 1777

Decn Daniel Mansfield Chose Moderator — After Hearin the Resolves of the Genera Court Red

Voted — Each man that Shall go in the Service of this State for this Town to the Last Day of November Shall Receive a Towns Bounty of Ten Pounds

Voted — The Selectmen Apply for fier armes to Supply Sd Town

Voted — The Selectmen Hier Money & Give their Nots In Behalf of the Town to Defray the charges of Raising the Above Sd Men & Percuring Sd arms

This is to Notifie the Freeholders & Other of the Inhabitence of the Town of Lynn Quallified to Vote as the Law Directs to attand a Town Meeting on Wednesday the 27th of this Instent at Foure oclock Afternoon at the Old Meeting House in Lynn to See What Method the Town will Take to Raise the Remainder of their Quota of Men to Fill Up The Continental Army or to Act on Any Other Thing that May think proper

Pr Order of the Selectmen

Lynn August the 23rd 1777

William Collins Town Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn August the 27 1777 — Decn Daniel Mansfield Chosen Moderator

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Voted — To Choose A Committe to Percure Men to fill Up our Quoto of the Continental Army

Voted — Mr. James Newhall Captn Holten Johnson & Mr. Joseph Ballard be a Comitte to Percure Sd Men:

Voted — The Sd Comitte Percure Nine Men at the Lowest they can go to In List in the Serveis & go for This Town For the Term of three Years on During the warr and the Town to pay the Bounty

Voted — The Sd Comittee Mak Return of their Doings to the Coll on the 5th Day of Sepr Next

The Inhabitenc of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting As the Law Directs Are hereby Notefied to Attand a a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Friday the 19th of this Instant at two o Clock After Noon to See What Method the Town will take to To Supply the Families of those Soldiers Gone in the Continental Service for this Town Agreeable to A Resolve of the General Court

2dly — To See if the Town will Reimbust the Money to all those Men that have been Draughted & Hired Men to go In the Service in their Room & Also to See if the Town Choose a Comittee to Hier the Men that My be Called for to go in the Service for the Futer agreeable to the Request of a Number of Petitioners

4thly To See if the Town will Make an additional Grant of Money to that Made Last may to Defray the Town Charges —

Lynn Decr 18th 1777 Per Order of the Selectmen

William Collins Town Cler

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At A Town Meeting held at Lynn the 19th Day of Decr 1777—
Modrator — Colll John Mansfield

Voted — To Choose a Committee Agreeable to the warrant to Suply the Families of those Gone in the Contentnal Army for this Town

Voted — Samuel Burrill Theophilus Breed & Coll John Mansfield be Committe to Supply the Afore Sd Families of those Gone in the Continental Army agreeable to the Act of the General Court

Voted — To Choose a Committee to Examine the Petition Mentioned in the Warrant & those Persons whoe have Hiered Men to go in the Service in their Room

Voted — that the Capts & Lutenents of Each Compiney be a Committee to Examine into the Above Sd Articles

Voted — To Refare Choosing a Comittee to Hier Men to Go in the Service to the Next Town Meeting

Voted — To Raise Three Hundred pounds in Addition to what was Voted Last May

The Freeholders & Other of the Inhabitence of the Town of Lynn Quallified to Vote As the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to attand A Town Meeting on Tuesday the 13th Instant At one Oclock After

Noon at the Old Meeting House in Sd. Town to here the Articles of Confederation & to See What Instructions the Town will Give Their Representative Agreeable to the Request of the General Court also to See if the Town Will have the Invoice taken in Agreeable to the Tax Bill or will allow of Som Other Method to Proceed in

At a Town Meeting held at Lynn the 13 Day of Jan'y 1778
Moderator Mr. Samuel Burrill

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The Inhabitation of the Town of Lynn Quallified to Vote as the Law Directs are hereby Notified to Attend a Town Meeting At the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Monday the 2d Day of March Next at 10 O'clock in the Fore Noon then & Their to Choose a Town Clerk Treasurer Select Men Constables And All Other Town Officers as by Law Required and to Lett the Nehant Beeches & Sedge Islands — Also to See if the Town Will Let the Swine go at Large & the Horses withOut fetters

Also to See if the Town will Vote the North Parish in Sd Town off from Sd Town as a District Agreeable to the Request of fifteen Petitioners

Also to See if the Town will Vote Each Parish their Equeil Perportion of Town & Selectmens Meetings Agreeable to the Requeast of a Number of Petitioners

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Pr Order of the Selectmen

William Collins Town Cler

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At A General Town Meeting held in Lynn This 2d Day of March 1778 For the Choice of Town Officers

Modrator — Coll John Mansfield

Town Clerk — William Collins Asessor & Selectman Sworn

Treasurer & Decn John Borage Sworn

Select Men & Assors James Newhall Samuel Sweetser Capt Joseph Gowing and John Basset all Sworn

Constables — Andrew Mansfield James Williams & Thomas Hawkes — And all Sworn

Wardens — Joseph Blaney Sworn Ezra Coats Samll Mansfeild

Survayers of highways — Joseph Edmonds Isaiah Breed William Mansfield & Ezra Breed all Sworn

Tithing Men — Ephriam Newhall Sworn Samuel Bordman Ephriam Shelden

Fence Vewer — John Burnham James Johnson Sworn Thoms
Stocker & Joseph Edmonds Sworn John Ierson & Jacob Innguls
Junr Sworn

Hogg Reves — John Bancroft & Robert Williams Sworn
Nehemiah Ramsdel & Ralph Merry Sworn Ezra Waitt & Stephen
Coats Sworn — Benja Burrill Sworn Henery Richards

Clark of the Markett — Edward Johnson Sworn

Leather Sealers

Survayer of Lumber

Wood Sealers — Benja Massey & Increas Newhall Sworn

Bread Waiers — Capt Rufus Mansfield & Joseph Turell Sworn

Fish Comittee — Thomas Cox Nehemiah Ramsdeell Joseph
Ballard and Jacob Newhall all Sworn — Jonathan Tarbel Sworn
Timothy Munrow Sworn Caleb Collins Nathl Hutcherson — Joseph
Hawkes Grims Tufts

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Comittee To Take Cear of the Beaches — Isaiah Breed Pharoah
Newhall & Isaac Basset

Eedge Islands Let To Sylvanus Hussey for £6-12-0 which he
Paid

Voted — The Hoggs go at Large the Curant Year

Voted — The Horses be Fettered the Current Year

Voted — The Petition of the North Parish be Refared to May
Meetin

Voted — To Alough Each Parish their Perportion of Town
& Selectmens Meetings Agreeable to their Petition

Voted — To Refear the Petitions for Land to the Comittee of
Incrocments & they to Make Report at May Meeting —

Voted — This Meeting be Ajourned to the 16th Instent at
2 oClock Afternoon

March the 16th 1778 — Then the Town Met Agreeable to
Ajournment

Voted — the Comimison Officers Make their Report at May
Meeting

Voted — the Captens of Each Company & the Selectmen
be a Comittee to Hier men to go in the Service for the Futer & if
the Capt is Not Able to Do it then The Next Officer to Due
Sd Duty and Draw Money Out of the Town Treasury for Sd
Purpos

Voted — to Refear the Petition of Sundrey Persons of the Quaker Society which they put in for the Grant of a Peace of Land to Sett A School House on to the Above Sd Committee.

Voted — To Ajourn this Meeting to the 23rd Instent

Committee of Saftey Corespd or Inspection — March the 23rd
Then the Met Agreeable to Ajornment — Coll John Mansfield
Coll Joh Flagg Samuel Burrill Dec. Daniel Mansfeild Benja Johnson
Thomas Stocker & Joseph Ballard

Voted — To Add Coll John Flagg to the Comittee that was Chosen to Hier Men

Voted — To Draw Money Out of the Town Treasury to Purchas Clothing for the Solders Agreeable to the Resolve of the Court

Voted — This Meeting be Desolved --

[Page] — Lynn March the 14th 1778 — The Inhabitence of the Town of Lynn Quallified to Vote as the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to Attand a Town Meetin at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Monday the 16 Instent at two Oclock afternoon to See What Instructions the Town Will Give the Comittee that was Chosen by Sd Town to Supply the Families of those Men gone in the Continental Army

Pr Order William Collins Clerk

Voted — At A Town Meeting Held at Lynn March 16th 1778—
Voted Decn Daniel Mansfeild & Abner Chever Esqr be Added to the Comittee to Supply the Families of those Men Gone in the Continantal Army for Sd. Town Agreeable to the Act of the General Court & Sd Comittee to Draw Money Out of the Town Treasury for that Purpos

Notification For a Town Meeting Lynn April the 3d 1778 —
The Inhabitence of the Town of Lynn Quallified to Vot as the Law directs are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting on Thursday the 9th Instant at the North Parish Meeting House in Sd Town at 2 oClock After Noon to Choose one or more Persons to go on a County Convention To be held at Mr Treadwells Inholder in Ipswich on the 15th Int. at 12 oClock at Noon

Pr Order William Collins T Cler-

At a town Meeting held at Lynn April the 9th 1778 Decn Bancraft Chosen Moderator — Mr Samuel Burrill Chosen to go on Sd Convention

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The Inhabotence of the Town of Lynn Quallified to Vote as the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to attand A Town Meeting on Tusday the 12th Instant at one o'Clock After Noon at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town Then & their to Elect & Depute one or More Persons To Serve for & Represent them in the General Court To be Conveaned Held & Kept for the Governments Service at the State House in Boston in the County of Suffolk Upon Wednesday the Twenty Seventh Day of this Instent May

Also to See if the Town will Grant a Sum of Money to Defray Town Charges

Also to See if the Town will Admitt of Inoculations Being Caried on at Nehant agreeable to the Request of a Number of Petitioners

Also to See if the Town Will Grant Liberty to any of the Inhabotence to be Inoculated for the Small pox At the Pest House agreeable to the Request of a Number of Petitioners

Also to See What Method the Town Will Take to Provide Bulls in any part of the Town

Pr Order

William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn May 12th 1778 Captn Holten Johnson was Chooosen to Serve for & Represent the Town at the General Court the Ensuing Year

Coll John Mansfeild was Chooosen Moderator to Transact the Remainder of the Bussness of the Meeting

Voted — To Grant five Hundred pounds to Defray Town Charges & to be put in the Next Tax

Voted — To Admitt of Innoculation's being Caried on at Nehant two Months & No longer they being under Such Restrections as the Selectmen of Sd Town Shall think Proper to Lay them Under

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Voted Not to Grant Liberty to Innoculate in the Pest House

Voted The North Parish have Liberty to Innoculate in one House in Sd Parish the Same Term of Time as at Nehant & Under the Same Restrections the House Being Such a one as the Selectmen Shall Think Conveannent for that Purposs

Voted The Weast Parish Parish Have a House in Sd Parish for Innoculation if the Selectmen thinks Conveannent they being Under the Same Restrictions as Nehant.

Voted The Last Clause in the Warrant be Desmised

Voted Not To Set of the North Paresh as a Destrect agreeable to their Petition of the 2nd of March Last

The Petition of Samuel Collins & Others for a Peace of Land to Sett a School House on Granted they paying four Pounds

The Petition of Caleb Collins Granted he paying fifteen pounds

The Petition of Jeams Ally Refeard to the Comittee

The Petition of Thomas Hawkes Dismissed

The Subscriber Earnestly Requests that the Inhabitence of the Town of Lynn would assamble at the Meeting House of the Revend Mr. Roby at five Oclock after Noon in Order to Determine Upon the best Method for Raising Men for Providence as I yeasterday Recved Orders by Express from the Brigadier to have the Men in Readiness with out a Moments Delay

Lynn august 2d 1778

John Flagg

agreeable to the Above Request the Town Met at the Above Sd Time & place & passed the followng Vots

Voted Abner Chever Esqr be Moderator of Sd Meeting

Voted To Give Eah Man that Inlists or is Draughted

illegal. For the Term of Six week to March to Providence
Thirty pounds Pr Month Including what the Court is Pleased to Give, in Sd thirty pounds

Voted To Give Sd Men thirty pounds Before they March

Voted to Give the Men that goes Leutanents thirty pounds and that to be all they are to Receve of Sd Town

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The Inhabitence of the Town of Lynn Quallefied for Voting are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meetind on Monday the 21st of this Instent at 2 oClock after Noon at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town To See what Method The Town ill Take to Raise a Number of Men

Lynn Sepr 19th 1778

Pr Order of the Selectmen

William Collins Town Cler

At A Town Meeting held at Lynn the 21st Day of Sepr 1778
Coll John Mansfeild Chosen Moderator

Voted To Give the Men to be Raised to March to Providence Fifteen Pounds pr Month with what the Continant & State Shall Give them

Lynn Octr 21st 1778

We the Subscribers Fence Viewers of the Town of Lynn being Applied to by Leut Thomas Simonds of Readding to view & Divide a Certain Piece of Fence between the Land of Sd Symonds & Mr Joseph Eatons of Redding Sd Land Lying upon Sagus River be low Richardson's Saw Mill at the Point (So Called) have Attended that Service & find the Division Fence Between Sd Eaton & Simonds to be Forty Seven Rods and fifteen Links we have Divided Sd Fence neare the Middle by a Stake and Stons we have assigned to Sd Eaton as his Part of Sd Fence upon the East End from the River Northerly 10 Rods and 18 Links to a Stake from thence to Sd Symonds 10 Rods and 18 Links to the Corner from Sd Corner to Sd Eaton 14 Rods and 4 Links to a Stake & Stons from thence to Sd Simonds 12 Rods to the South Bank of the River

Joseph Edmonds } Fence viewers
James Johnson } of Lynn

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The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting at the Law Directs are hereby Notified to Attend a Town Meeting on Wednesday the 18th of this Instent Novr at 2 oClock afternoon at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town To See if the Town will Vote a Sum of Money to pay the whol or any part of the Towns Debt also to Defray the Arising Charges in Sd Town

Lynn Novr the 14th 1778 Pr Order of the Selectmen
William Collins Town Cler

At A Town Meeting held at Lynn Novr the 18th 1778
Coll Mansfeild Chosen Moderator

Voted to pay Six Thousand pounds to be put in the Next State Tax to pay the Towns Debts & the arising Charges in Sd. Town
Voted That Each Person that paid Money to Hier Men to go in the Service or went in person Should have Orders on the Treasurer to pay the afor sd Tax or Such part as it is Seficent to pay as the Committe Shall Make out the Accts

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We the Select Men of the Town of Lynn being Petitioned to by a Number of the Inhabitents of the North Paish in sd Town To Lay out a Road in Sd Parish Seting forth in Sd Petition

that a Fence was Arected & Set a Cross Sd Road & it not being in the Power of the Committee to Remove Sd Nusence by Reason of its not being Laid out by Sd Town to the Grat Damage of Both the Inhabetents & the Publick —

In Compliance of Sd Petition we the Sd Selectmen have Attended that Service & after Vewing Sd Road and Judge it Absolutly Nessesery that Sd Road be Laid Out and acordingly have Laid it out as Followeth —

Viz: Begining at the Corner to the Northward of the Meeting House as the Road is Now Fenced out to the Bridge Then from Sd Bridge to John Harts Corner (So Called) to the Road Leading from Redding North Parish To Salem as the fence now Stands & one Rod to the Eastward of the East Cart Rutt which we Judge will be a Conveanent Road

Lynn May the 26th 1778

William Collins	}	Selectmen of Lynn
Joseph Gowing		
James Newhall		
Samuel Sweetser		
John Basset		

The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Derects are hereby Notified to Atend a Town Meeting At the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Monday the 1st Day of March Nex at 10 of Clock in the fore noon then & their to To Choose a Town Clerk Treasurer Select-men Constables & all Other Town Officers as by Law Required

And to Let the Nehant Beeches & Sedge Islands

Also to See if the Town will Let the Swine go at Large & the Horses without fetters

Also To See if the Town will Choose a Comittee to mend the Nehant Beeches agreeable to the Request of a Number of Petitioners and also to Detairmine upon Such Methods as May be thought most proper for the Repairing the Great Bridge

Pr Order of the Selectmen

William Collins Tn Cler

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At General Town Meeting Held at Lynn March the 1st, 1779
For the Choice of Town Officers For the Current year
Moderator Coll John Mansfeild

William Collins Chosen Town Clerk & Sworn befor Esqr Chever

Decn John Borage Chosen Treasurer & Sworn
 James Newhall Esqr Capn Joseph Gowing Samuel Sweetser
 John Basset & William Collins Chosen Select Men & all Sworn
 Capt James Williams Nathan Hawkes & John Upton Chosen
 Constables & Sworn
 Alen Newhall Ephraim Larrabee & Ephraim Rhoads Chosen
 Wardens
 William Sweetser Thomas Stocker Isaiah Breed & Timothy
 Munrow Chosen Survayers of Highways and Sworn
 Tithing Ephraim Newhall Sworn Jonathan Wellman Samuel Bord-
 man & Joseph Hart
 Fence Viewers William Mansfeild Sworn John Hart Sworn Joseph
 Hawks Sworn Mathew Estes Sworn Ephraim Newhall Capn
 Rufus Mansfeild Josiah Newhall
 Nathaniel Hutcherson
 Alen Newhall Ezra Burrill Daniel Johnson Ebijah Burrage
 John Coats Capn John Pool & Benja Riddin Chosen Hog
 Reeves & Sworn John Hawks & Thomas Wellman Chosen
 James Newhall and William Farington Chosen Lather Sealers
 Wood sealers Benjamin Massey Increase Newhall & Robert Mans-
 feild Chosen Wood Sealers & Sworn
 Suryaers of Lumber Samuel Sisbee & Ephriam Breed Chosen &
 Breed Sworn
 Fish Committee Capt Thoms Cocks Nehemiah Ramsdel Joseph Ballard
 Caleb Collins Sworn
 Jacob Newhall Junr Jonathan Tarbel Timothy Munrow
 Nathaniel Hutcherson & Grims Tufts Chosen & Not ben Sworn
 Committee to Take care of the Beaches Pharoah Newhall Isaiah Breed
 & Isaac Basset

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Nathan Breed & Joseph Ballard Chosen Callers of Fish & Sworn
 Sedge Island Let to Grims Tufts for £14 which he paid at the
 Meeting

Voted The Swine go at Large

Voted To Choose a Committee of Seven Men to Vew the Nehant Beech
 & See What is Most proper to be Dun in Regard of Mending
 Sd Beech & to Make Report to the Town at the Ajournment of
 this Meeting

Voted Samuel Burrill Nehemiah Breed Decn Nathl Bancroft Decn Daniel Mansfeild Abner Chever Esqr John Hawks & John Ierson be a Comittee Vew Sd Beech

Voted Abner Chever Esqr Joseph Edmonds Mair Parker John Hawks & John Burrill be a Comittee to Vew the Grate Bridge & See what is the Most proper Method to take to Mend Sd Bridge & Make Report at the Ajournment of this Meeting

Voted To Give Hanable a Negro Latly Servant to Decn John Lewis the Land he Petitioned for at this Meeting Viz: About three or four poles that he has Taken in or Encloses with that Land he the Sd Hanable Purchased of the Town of Lynn

Voted This Meeting be Ajourned to Monday the 8th Instant March the 8th the Town Met Acoring to Ajournment

Coll. John Mansfeild Abner Chever Esqr Samuel Burrill Decn Nathaniel Bancraft Capn Holten Johnson Benja Johnson & Doctor John Flagg Chosen a Comittee of Safty the Comittee on the Beaches Reported to have it Mended by Subscription

Voted the Same Comittee with the addition of Silvenus Husey Capn Holten Johnson Benja Johnson & James Purinton Have the Ordering of Mending Sd Beach the Comittee on the Grate Bridge Reported the Sd Bridge be New Planked

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Voted To Chuse a Comittee to Make Application to the Sessions to See in What Manner the Great Bridge Shall be Repaired as to the Charges

Voted To Choose three men on Sd Comittee

Voted Abner Chever Esqr Silvenus Hussey & Capn Holten Johnson be a Comittee to Make Aplication as Afore Sd

Voted To Ajourn this Meeting to the 22nd Instant March 22d then Mett Acoring to Ajournment And Ajourned To the 29th Instant March 29th Then Mett Acoring to Ajournment and Choose Several Town Officers which are Recorded with the Others which is the Reson they are not Mentioned Heare

Samuel Burrill Theophilus Breed Coll John Mansfeild Decn Daniel Mansfeild and Abner Chever Esqr Chosen a Comittee to Supply the families of the Solders Gone in the Continental Armeey

and Each of Sd Committee to Drew Money Out of the Town Treasury for Sd Purposs of Supplying as Afore Sd

The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting at the Law Directs are hereby Notified to attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Thusday Next at 2 Oclock after Noon then & their to Elect and Depute One or more persons to Serve for & Represent them in a Grate & General Court to be Conveaned Held & Kept for for the Governments Service at the State House in Boston Upon Wednesday the 26th of this Instent May

Also To See if they Chuse at this Time to Have a New Constitution or form of Government agreeable to a Late Resolve of the General Court

Lynn May 15th 1779

Pr Order William Collins
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At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn May the 20th 1779 Capn Holten Chooosen Representitive to Represent Sd Town the Current Yeare at the Grate & General Court

Decn Daniel Mansfeild Chosen Moderator to Transact the Remainder of the Busness of Sd Meeting

Voted To Grant Mr Silvenus Hussey a peace of Land formerly Laid Out to Benjamin Chadwell wich the Sd Hussey has paid thirty three pounds one Shilling for Sd Land To Decn John Burrage Town Treasurer as appears by his Receate in Jany: 15th 1777

Voted To Give Richard Pappoon the Frunt of his Land During the Towns Pleasure Viz: from the Corner of James Ally's Frunt to the Corner of Silvenus Hussey's

To Ajourn this Meeting To Monday the 30th

May the 30th Then Met acording to Ajournment

Voted to have a New Constitution or form of Government by a Majorety of Twenty Six to twelve

The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Directs are hereby Notified Attend a Town Meeting on Thursday Next at three oClock afternoon at the Weast Parish Meeting House in Sd Town to See What Method the Town will take to Raise a Number of Men for the Service of the United Stats at their is a Call for a Number At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn June the 16th 1779

Decn Daniel Mansfeild Chooosen Moderator

Voted To Choose the Selectmen to Hier the Six Men Now Called
for to March to Providence for the Lowest Sum they Can
Voted the Select Men Draw Money Out of the Town Treasury &
if the Money is not to be had in sd Treasury to Hier Money
to Percure Sd Men & Give their Nots in Behalf of the Town

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The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting
as the Law Directs are hereby Notified to Attend a Town
Meeting on Wednesday Next at 3 oClock after Noon at the
North Parish Meeting House in Sd Town in Order to Determine
Upon the best Method for Raising a Numbr of Men for the
Contentental Armye Agreeable to A Resolve of the General
Court

Lynn June 25th 1779

Pr Order of the Selectmen

William Collins Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn June 30th 1779 Decn
Nathaniel Bancraft Chosen Moderator

Voted The Selectmen be a Comittee to Hier the men to Go in the
Contentental Armye for the Loest Sum they Can — Also Voted
the Selectmen Percure the Men that is Expected to be Called
for to go as Gards to Boston

Voted the Select men Draw the Money Out of the Town Treasury
or to Hier Money to Percure the afore Sd Men & Give their
Nots in Behalf of Sd Town

P:S: the Number Sent for is Fourteen The Inhabitents of the
Town of Lynn are Hereby Notified To Attend a Town Meeting
on Monday Next at 3 oClock P:M: at the Old Meeting House
in Sd Town To See if they Will Comply with the Proceedings
of the Convention at Concord

Also To Elect one or More Delegates to Represent them at a
Convention to be held at Cambridge on the first Day of
September Next To form a New Constitution of Government
Agreeable to a Resolve of the General Court

Lynn July 28th 1779

Pr Order

William Collins Cler

Turn Over for the Proceedings of Sd Meeting

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At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn August 2d 1779 To See if the Town Will Comply with the Proceedings of the Convention at Concord

Coll John Mansfeild Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting

The Town after Hering the Proceedings of Sd Convention Read, Unanimously Voted to Comply with Sd Proceeding, and Choose a Comittee To Consist of thirteen Persons to Regulate the Prices of Articles in Sd Town Agreeable to the Request of Sd Convention. Viz: Coll John Mansfeild Samuel Burrill Decn Daniel Mansfeild Decn Nathaniel Bancraft Capn Holten Johnson Benja Massey Jacob Newhall Joseph Ballard Abner Chever Esqr James Newhall Esqr Haris Chadwell John Ierson & John Basset Sd Comittee to make Return of their Doings to the Town at the Ajournment of this Meeting for their Acceptance Voted To Choose one Delegate to Represent them at Cambridge Mr. Samuel Burrill was Chosen Represent them at the Convention at Cambridg

Then the Meeting was Ajourned to Monday the 16th Instent at 4 oClock P:M:

Monday the 16th the Town Met Agreeable to Ajournment and Voted To Send a Delegate to the County Convention to be Held at Ipswich on thursday the 19th Instent agreeable to the Requeast of the Town of Salem

Voted Mr. Samuel Burrill go on Sd Convention to Above Comittee Made Return of their Doings & the Town Voted to Continue Sd Report to the Ajournment of this Meeting

Voted to Ajourn this meeting to Monday the 22nd Instent at 5 oClock P:M:

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The Town Met Acording to Ajournment & after Hearing the Proceedings of the County Convention Held at Ipswich on thursday Last The Town Voted to Accept of the Proceedings of Sd Convention With that Allteration only, to Set wood in this Town at Twenty tims as high as it was in the Year 1774 the Town also Voted the Committe Alreddy Chosen Viz: Mr Samuel Burrill Decn Daniel Mansfield Decn Nathl Bancraft Capn Holton Johnson Mr Benja Massey Mr Jacob Newhall Mr Joseph Ballard Abner Chever Esqr James Newhall Esqr

Mr. Haris Chadwell Mr John Ierson & Mr John Basset Set the Prieeces of of Each Article Agreeable to the Rule Agreed on by the afore Sd Convention & to Post there Doings up at Publick Houses in the Several parts of Sd Town and to Make Return of there Doings to the Comittee of Boston The Town Chose Mr Ephraim Breed a Comittee on the Towns Part to Repair the Grate Bridg so Called

The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn are hereby Notified to attend a Town Meeting on Weednesday Next at 3 oClock P:M: at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town to Elect one or more Delegats To Attend a State Convention at Concord on the Sixth Day of October Nex

Lynn Sepr the 26th 1779

Pr Order of the Selectmen

William Collins Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn Sept the 29th 1779 William Collins Chosen Moderator the Town Voted Mr Samuel Burrill Attend Sd Convention in Behalf of Sd Town

The Town also Voted that Mr Ephraim Breed be Impowered to Draw Money out of the Town Treasurey to Repair the Sd. Towns part of the Grate Bridge

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To James Williams Constable of the Town of Lynn
In the Name of the Government & People You are Required to Warn the Inhabitants of Your Ward Quallified for Voting to Attend a Town Meeting on Wednesday Next at three oClock P:M at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town to See What Method the Town will Take to Raise a Number of Men for the Contentental Armey agreeable to a Resolve of the General Court

Lynn Octr 11 1779

Pr Order of the Selectmen

William Collins T.:Cler

Essex s Lynn Octr 12th 1779

I Have warned the Inhabitents of My ward to Attend at Time & place as within Mentioned

James Williams Constable

The Other parts of the Town was Warned in the Same Manner as Above

At A Town Meeting Held at Lynn Octr the 13th 1779 Decn
Daniel Mansfield was Chosen Moderator

The Town Voted to Hier the Men, to be Raised at this time the
Town Also Voted the Selectmen & the Captins of Each Com-
peney in Sd Town be a Committee to Hier Sd Men at the Loest
they Can

Sd Town also Voted the Selectmen Should be Impowered To
Hier the Money in behalf of Sd Town to Hier the Sd Men
as before Voted Then the Meeting was Desolved

The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting
as the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town
Meeting on Thursday the 11th Instant At 2 oClock after noon
at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town to See if the Town will
Grant a Sum of Money to Defray the Towns Charges

Also to See if the Town will Comply with the Recommendation
of the Convention Held at Concord on the 6th Day of Octr Last

Pr Order of the Selectmen

Lynn Novr the 5th 1779

William Collins Tn Cler

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At A Town Meeting Held at Lynn Novr the 11th 1779

Decn Nathaniel Bancraft Chosen Moderator

Voted The Selectmen bring in to the Town Their Acct to Let the
Town Know How Much the Town is in Debt, at the ajoinment
of this Meeting

Voted To Continnew the Last Claws in the Warrant to the Ajourn-
ment.

Voted This Meeting be Ajourned to the 25th Instant November 25th
Met agreeable to ajournment The Selectmen Brought in the
Towns Debt which after Hearing the Town

Voted To Grant foure Thousand pounds as a Town Tax to Defray
the Towns Charges

Voted Also to Contenew the Last article in the Warrant to the Next
Town Meeting

The Inhabitents of the Town of Lyn Quallified for Voting as
the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting
on Monday Next at Two OClock afternoon at the Old Meeting
House in Sd Town to Choose a Colector or Collectors to Collect
the Taxes for Sd Town in Such way & Manner as they Shall
think Proper

Lynn Decr 6th, 1779

At A Town Meeting Held at Lynn Decr the 13th 1779
Abner Chever Esqr Chosen Moderator Jonathan Tarbel Chosen
Collector & Sworn by Abner Chever Esqr and to Collect the
Whol of the Taxes in Sd Town & to Have Six pancee for Each
pound he Shall Collect

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(Seal)

Essex ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Lynn
in Sd County — Greeting Whereas the Selectmen of Lynn
afore Sd are Informed that One John Derby Cordwainer Came
into the Town of Lynn Sum time in August Last From the
Town of Fitchburge in the County of Wossester and Since he
Came has Married a Wife in Sd Town & here Continues to
Reside These are therefore in the Name of the Government
and People To Requier You or Either of You forth with to
Warn the Said John Derby & Sarah his wife Immeadiatly to
Depart this Town or they will be Proceeded with as the Law
Directs

You are Alike Required to Make Inquiery when he Came into
this town & from whence he Came and Wheare he had his
Last Residence or Legal Settlemen Fail Not and Make Return
hereof with your Doings here on Unto My Self given under
My hand & Seal At Lynn this 12th Day of July 1779

{ Pr Order of the Selectmen
{ William Collins Tn Cler

Essex ss Agreeable to the within written Warrant I have Warned
the Said John Derby and his wife to Depart this Town to the
town from whence he Came

John Upton Constable

and further he Says he had his Last Residence at harvard &
Says he Came to this Town the first of Last August

Lynn July 17th 1779

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(Seal)

Essex ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Lynn in
Sd County — Greeting Whereas the Selectmen of Lynn afor
Sd are Informed that One Desier Lucom Wife to Eluxander
Lucom and Eelexander her Son & a Negro Child Named Venus

Came in this Town of Lynn Sum time in March Last from the Town of Danvers in Sd County and here Continues to Reside These are therefore in the Name of the Government and People to Requier you or Either of you forth with to Warn the Above Sd Persons to Depart and Leve the Town of Lynn Imediatly or they will be Proceeded with as the Law Directs You are Alike Required to Make Inquire when they Came into the Town of Lynn and from whence they Came and where they had there Last Residence or Legal Setteltment fail not & Make Return here of with your Doings hereon unto My Self Given under My hand & Seal at Lynn this 30th day of November 1779

{ By Order of the Selectmen
{ William Collins Tn Cler

Essex ss Lynn Decemr the 17th 1779

I Have Warned the within Named Persons to Depart the Sd Town of Lynn by Reading the Warrant to them they Likewise Informed me they Came into the town of Lynn Sum time in March Last and that they Came from the Town of Danvers where they had Resided Several years Last Past

James Williams Constable

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The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting on Monday Next at the House of Jacob Newhall Inholder in Sd Town to See if they will Grant any Sum of Money to Defray the Towns Charges to be put in the List with the State Tax Now to be Made

Lynn Feby: the 4th 1780

By Order of the Selectmen
William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn Feby: the 7th 1780

Abner Chever Esqr Chosen Moderator

Voted To Grant four Thousand pounds to be put in the Next Tax that is Made to Defray Town Charges

Essex ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Lynn in Sd County — Greeting Whereas the Selectmen of Sd Lynn are Informed that one Charety Daniels Came into the Town of Lynn Sum time in Febuary Last from the Town of Woborn in the County of Middlesex & here Continues to Reside These are therefore in the Name of the Government & People

to Requier you or Either of you forthwith to Warn the Sd Cherety Daniels Immediatly to Depart & Leave this Town or She will be Proceeded with as the Law Directs you are Likewise Required to Make Inquiry when She Came into the Town of Lynn & from Whence She Came & where She had her Last Residence or Legal Setteltment Fail not & Make Return with with youre Doings hereon unto My Self Given under My hand & Seal at Lynn Novr the 17th.1779.

By Order of the Selectmen
William Collins Tn Cler

Essex ss Lynn Novr 25th 1779

I have Warned the Sd Person to Depart & Leve this Town agreeable to the above Warrant She Informed Me She Came into the Town of Lynn in February Last & that She Came from the Town of Wobern

Nathan Hawks Constable

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The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Directed are hereby Notefied to Attend a A Town Meeting on Monday the 6th Day of March Next at a 11 oClock in the forenoon at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town then & there to Choose a Town Clerk Treasurer Select Men Constables & all Other Town Officers as by Law Required & to Let the Nehant Beeches & Sedge Islands Also to See if the Town will Let the Swine go at Large & the Horses With out fetters also to See What the Town will Give the Collectors that May be Chosen for their Service of Collecting the Taxes

Lynn Feby : 26th 1780

Pr Order
Williams Collins Cler

At A Town Meeting held at Lynn March 6th 1780 the Following Persons were Chose to Serve in the Offices here after mentioned the Currant

Decn Daniel Mansfield Chosen Moderator William Collins Chosen Town Clerk & Sworn by Esqr. Chever

Decn John Burrage Chosen Town Treasurer & Sworn

Select men William Collins James Newhall Esqr Joseph Gowing Samuel Sweetser all Sworn by Esqr Chever
Abner

John Burrill the 4th Jonathan Wellman & Rand Graves was Chosen Constables & Sworn by Esqr. Chever

Surveyers of Highways Benjamin Riddin Mathew Estes Andrew
 Mansfield & Benjamin Mansfield & Each Sworn by Esqr. Chever
 Tithing Men Ephraim Newhall Sworn Alen Newhall Ephraim
 Larrabee Abraham Smith & Samuel Bordman Sworn
 Mathew Estes Ephraim Newhall Benjamin Mansfield Joseph
 hawk William Mansfield & Ezekiel Newhall Chosen Fence
 Viewers the five first Sworn
 Hogg Reues Rufus Newhall & Nathan Mudge Sworn Samuel Breed
 & Jabez Breed Sworn Nathan Newhall Sworn John Norwood
 John Hews & Moses Tufts Chosen
 Lather Sealers James Newhall & William Farington Chosen

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Surveys of Lumbr Ephraim Breed Sworn Samuel Silsbe Chosen
 Fish Committee Capn Holton Johnson Josiah Martin Silvenas Hussey
 Joseph Ball and Henry Bachelor Josiah Breed Robert Mansfield
 Samuel Smith Jonathan Tarbel Jonathan Welman Richard Pratt
 Daniel Newhall Benja Parker all Chosen a Fish Comittee &
 Sworn
 Increase Newhall Benja Massey Benja Mansfield Timothy
 Walton William Farington & Esqr Chever ware Also Chosen
 Wood Sealers Increase Newhall Benjamin Massey Chosen & Sworn
 Robert Mansfield & James Purington also Chosen
 Edward Johnson Chosen Clark of the Market
 Nathan Breed Chosen to Take Cear of the Beeches to Keep
 Other Towns Pepole from Carrying any thing of sd Beeches
 Sedge Islands Let to Elezer Lindsey for Fifty five Pounds—£5.5-0-0
 Voted The Swine go at Large
 Voted To Give the Collectors or Constables Six pence to the pound
 Pound for Collecting the Taxes for the futer
 The Meeting Ajourned to the 20th Instent at 2 P:M:
 March the 20th Met Agreeable to Ajournment & Chose Several
 Officers which are Entered with the Others which is the Reason
 of there Not bein Mentioned here
 Coll John Mansfield Abner Chever Esqr Samuel Burrill Decn
 Nathaniel Bancraft Capn Holten Johnson Benja Johnson &
 Coll John Flagg Chosen a Committee for the Currant Year
 The Meeting Ajourned to the 27th Instent

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March 27th then Met Agreeable to Ajournment & the Moderator
 Not Attending the Town Chose Abner Chever Esqr Moderator

To Transact the Remainder of the Busness of the Meeting
The Town Chose Benja Mansfield & Joseph Haks Fence Viewers
which are Recorded with the Others
Then the Meeting was Desolved

The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Quallefied for Voting
as the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town
Meeting on Tusday Next at one Oclock afternoon at the North
Parish Meeting House in Sd Town To Choose one or more
Persons to Represent them at the General Court agreeable
to Precept Also to See if they will Accept of the frame of
Government Agraed on by the Convention also to See what
the Town will alough to Men that Shall work on the Highways
the Currant Year & also to See if they will Act anything in
Regard of the School

Lynn May the 5th 1780

William Collins Cler

At A Town Meeting held at Lynn May the 9th 1780
Mr. Samuel Burrill was Choosen Representetive the Curant Year
Decn Nathaniel Bancraft was Chosen Moderator to Transsact
the Remainder of the Busness of Sd Meeting
After hereing the frame of Government Read the Town Choose
the Following Persons as a Comittee to Take it into Considera-
tion and Make Report at the Ajournment of this Meeting Viz :
Coll John Mansfield Decn Nathaniel Bancraft Decn Daniel
Mansfield Mr John Orn Samuel Smith Abner Chever Esqr
Silvenus Hussey Mr Robey Mr. Treadwell Coll John Flagg
Capn Holten Johnson Ephraim Breed & Asa Newhall then the
Meeting was Ajourned to the 28th Instent

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May the 28th then met greeable to Ajournment

Voted to Choose a Comittee of Five Persons to Inspect the the form
of Government & Make Report to the Town at the Ajournment
of this Meeting

Voted Docter Benja Bram Burchsted Samll Inguls John Basset
Thomas Townsend & Elkanah Hawks be a Comittee as afore Sd

Voted A Single head Shall be Rated £4-10s to the Highways & Other
Estate in Perportion & that Each Person Shall be Aloughed £9
for Each Day they Shall work on the Highways & Each Person
that Shall work with fore Oxen or two Oxen & a horse Shall
be aloughed £27

The Town Voted to Regulate the Jurey Boxes as the Select Men had Agreed

Voted the Petitions of James Williams Caleb Collins & Nathan Breed & Hugh Alley be Refared to the Comittee of Incrochments Last Chosen

and to make Report at theAjourment of this meeting

Voted This Meeting be Ajourned to the 13th Day of June Next

June the 13th then Met agreeable to Ajournment and after hearing the Orders for Raising thirty one Men Read the Town Voted to Choose a Comittee of five Men to Hier the Sd Men now Called for

Voted Decn Daniel Mansfield Abner Chever Esqr Capn Holten Johnson & Benja Johnson be a Comittee to Hier Sd Men the Town also the Select Men Joyne with Sd Comitt to Percure Sd Men

Voted the Comittee Above Chosen Shall have full Power to Hier the Money to Percure Sd men at there Decresion & the Town Shall be accountable for the payment of of Sd Money

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The afore Sd Comittee on the form of Government Made Report which the Town did not Accept

Voted to Expunge the 3d Article in the Constitution A Majority of 70 to 43

Voted To Have but thirty Senators

Voted To Call a New Convention Seven Years to Make Alteration in the Constitution if Needfull

Voted No Setteled Minister Shall have a Seat in the House of Representatives

Voted Unanemously to Accept of Sd form with the Above Amendments the Number of Voters fifty

Voted this Meeting be Ajourned to Monday the 18 Instent At the House of Ezra Burrills Insd Town

Essex ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Lynn in Sd County — Greeting Whereas the Selectmen of Lynn afore Sd are Informed that Abigail Smith Came into Sd town of Lyn Sum Time in April Last from the Town of Ridding in the County of Middlesex & here Continnus to Reside

These are therefore in the Name of the Government and People

to Requier you or Either of you forthwith to warn the Sd Abigail Smith Immedeatly to Depart & Leave this Town or She will be proceeded with as the Law Directs you are Likewise Required to make Inquiery When She Came into the Town of Lynn & from whence She Came & where She had her Last Residence or Legal Settlement Fail not & make Return hereof with your Doings hereon unto My Self — Given Under My hand & Seal at Lynn this 27 Day of March 1780

By Order of the Selectmen
William Collins Tn Cler

Essex ss — Lynn March 28th 1780 I have Warned the above named Person to Depart & Leave this Town agreeable to the above Warrant She Informed Me She Came from Ridding April the 7th 1779

Jonathan Wellman Constable

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Essex ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Lynn in Sd County — Greeting The Select Men of Lyn afore Sd are Informed that the Persons here after Named have Latly Came into the Town of Lynn Viz Anthoney Buckston & Sarah his wife Anna & Betty there Daughters from Danvers Sum Time in April Last also Joshua Molten & Molley his Wife Jacob Joseph & Molley there Children from Danvers also Richard Thomas Joannah his wife & Isreal there Son from Middleton also Jonathan Gould Martha his wife from Willmington also Jeremiah Ray & his wife Jeremiah Peltiah Sarah & Elizabeth there Children

These are therefore in the Name of the Government & People to Requier you or Either of You Imedeatly to warn Sd Persons to Depart & Leave this Town or they will be Proceeded with as the Law Directs you are Likewise Required to make Inquiery when they Came into this Town & from Whence they Came here of Fail not & Make Return of youre Doings here on Given Under My hand & Seale at Lynn this third Day of April 1780

By Order of the Select:men
William Collins Tn Cler

April the 5th 1780 then Warned Out Joshua Molten & his Famile & Made Inquiry from Whence he Came & he Saith

from Danvers the 6th Day of April 1779

April the 6th 1780 then Warned Out the Remainder of the Within Named According to Warrant & made Inquiry from Whence they Came Buckston & his familie Came from Danvers the 8th Day of April 1779 Thomas Came April the 20th 1779 from Middleton & Ray Came April the 15th 1779 from Redding & Jonathan Gould Came from Willmington March ye 16th 1779

By Me Jonathan Wellman Constable

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At a Town Meeting Legauley Warned & held at Lynn June the 19th 1780 Coll John Flagg Chosen Moderator
Voted the Select-men be a Committee to Raise the men to Serve Six Months in the Contenantal Service

Voted to Add the Sd Selectmen Decn Daniel Mansfield Josiah Martin Capn Holten Johnson Abner Chever Esqr Joseph Ballard Benja Johnson & Coll John Flagg as a Committee to Raise Sd men

Voted to Raise a Sum of Money Equil to the Last Tax & and the Assessors to make Sd Tax Immeadiatly

Voted the Select-men Shall have full Power to Heir Paper or Silver Money or Purches Produce and to Give there Nots in Behalf of the Sd Town if Nessery

Voted the Capten of Each Compiny Call there Compineys Together on Thursday Next

Voted this Meeting be Adjourned to the 26th Instent June the 26 Met According to Ajournment and

Voted To Add to the Above Committe for Raising Men Jacob Newhall & Nathaniel Shearman

Voted To Indemnify the Militia Officers from the Fine Imposed upon them by the General Court in Case of the Falare of the men to Serve in the Contenantal Service for Six Months

Voted the Commison Officers be Added to the afor Sd Committee

Voted To Ajourn this Meeting to the 29th Instant June the 29th Met Agreeable to Ajournment Decn Daniel Mansfield Chosen Moderator in the Room of Doctr John Flagg

Voted to Grant a Sum of Money Double to the Last State Tax to Defray the Town Charges & & the assessors to make the Tax Immedeatly

Voted To Ajourn this Meeting to the 5th Day of July Next

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July the 5th then Met According to Ajournment and
Voted that the afore Sd Committee Still Continne as a Committee
to Raise the men to Serve for three months

Voted to Impower the Sd Comittee to percure the Sd men in the
best Manner they Can & to Make Such Agreements as they
Shall find Nesesery

Voted the Selectmen Shall have full Power to Give Nots To the
Soldiers in Behalf of the Town if Necessary

The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as
the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to attend A Town Meeting
on Tuesday Next at Four oClock afternoon at the Old Meeting
House in Sd Town To Choose a Town Treasurer & Pound
Keeper in the Room of Decn John Burrage Deseased & to Act
on any Other Matter that may be Necessary

Lynn July 22d 1780

By Ord of the Selectmen
William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting held at Lynn July 25th, 1780

Coll John Flagg Chosen Moderator

Coll John Flagg Choosen Town Treasurer in the Room of
Decn John Burrage Deseased Thomas Rhoads Chosen Pound
Keeper in the Room of Decn John Burrage Deseased & Sworn
by John Flagg Esqr

The Town also Voted to alough Capn Holten Johnson £120 for
ten Days Service at the General Court the Last Year

Voted to Desolve this Meeting

The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn upon Due Notice Given
Assambled at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Monday
the 2nd Day of October 1780 To Make Choice of Some
Suitable Person or Persons to Serve as Representetive the
Remaind of the Year Mr. Samuel Burrill Chose Represantetive
for the Remainder of the Yeare

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The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting are
hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting on Monday Next
at two Oclock after noon at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town
to See What Method the Town will take to Furnish a Number
of Cattle for the army or money Sufficent to Supply the Quantity
of Beef the Town is Now Called for by the General Court

also to See what the Town will do with the work House & also
to See What Method the Town will Take to percure the
Clothing for the army

Lynn Octr 7th, 1780

By Order of the Selectmen
William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting held at Lynn Octr 9th 1780 to furnesh a Number
of Cattle for the army or to Raise Money Sufficent to Supply
Seven Thousand two Hundred Weight of Beef Agreeable to
Resolve of the General Court

Decn Daniel Mansfield Moderator of Sd Meeting

Voted To Choose a Committee of Nine Persons to Act in Behalf of
Sd Town to Furnish the above Supplies

Voted Decn Nathaniel Bancraft

Abner Chever Esqr

Mr. Jacob Newhall

Coll John Mansfield

Capn Holten Johnson

Mr. Joseph Ballard

Mr. Benja Johnson

Mr. Thomas Townsend &

Mr. Josiah Breed

be a Comittee & to have full (Power) to Act in Behalf of
Sd Town in purchasing Sd Beef or Raising Money Sufficent
to Purches it in the best way & maner they Can

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In Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as
the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting
on Monday Next to See if the Town will make a Grant of
Money to pay for the beef the Town Committee has agreed
for also to See if the Town will make a further Grant to
Defray the arising Charges in Sd Town

Lynn October 20th 1780

By Order of the Selectmen
William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn October the 23d 1780

Decn Nathaniel Bancraft Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting

The Town Voted to Grant Twenty four Thousand Pounds to
pay for the beef agreeded for by the Comittee and the Over plus
if there be any to go to Defray Town Charges

The Town also Voted to Grant Four Thousand Pounds to

Defray Town Charges also Voted the Assers make a Tax of the two above Grants Imedeatly & the first of Sd Tax that is Collected to be for the payment of the beef

The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to attend a Town Meeting on thursday Next at wo Oclock afternoon at the House of Mr. Jacob Newhalls Inholder in Sd Town To See what Method the Town will take to Raise Twenty Seven men for the Contentental army & furnish a Quantety of Beef for Sd army agreeable to the Resolves of the General Court

Lynn Decr 29th 1780

William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn Jany: 4th 1781

Decn Daniel Mansfield Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting

The Town after hearing the Resolves of the General Court Read Passed the following Vots

Vis It Voted to Rais the men Requested by Sd Resolve

2dly Voted to Chuse a Committee of three men to percure the Sd men

3dly Voted Mr. Jacob Newhall Mr. Joseph Ballard & Mr. John Upton be a Committee for the afore Sd Purpose of Raising the Men

4thly Voted to Grant as much Money as Shall Purches two Thouhand Seven Hundred Silver Dollars or the Vallew there of in Gold to Give the men they Shall raise

5thly Voted to Grant thirty four thousand pounds to furnish the Towns Quota of Beef agreeable to Sd Resolve
Turn Over for the Remainder of the Meeting

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Voted this Meeting be Ajourned to Thursday the 18th Instent at this House two oClock: P:M:

Jeny: 18th: then Met Agreeable to Ajournment

Abenr Chever Esqr Chosen Moderator in the Room of Decn Daniel Mansfield

Voted to add to the afore Sd Committee for Raising Men the Captens of Each Compeny in the Town also Voted to add Mr. Nathan Hawks Capn Thomas Cocks Mr. Benja Johnson Leut Thomas Townsend & Coll John Mansfield to Sd Committee

Voted the Comittee to percure as Many Men as they Can with the Money the Town Granted for the Purposse of Raising Men

Voted this Meeting be Ajourned to the Second Monday in February Next at this House at two Oclock:P:M:

Feby: the 12th then met agreeable to Ajournment

Voted to Impower the afore Sd Committee to Engage Live Stock to Such men as they may inlist in Case it Shall Appear to the Sd committee most for the Interest of the Town to make Such Engagements

Voted the Select-men Shall be Impowered to give Securitie for the preformance of Such Engagements as the Sd Committee may mak in Case Where the Money is Not paid in hand

Voted the Meeting be Desolved

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Essex ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Lynn in Sd County — Greeting

The Select men of Lynn afore Sd are Informed that Persons hereafter Named Came into the Sd Town of Lynn & here Continue to Dwell Vizt — one Thomas Read & Hannah his wife Hannah Sarah Abigail Priscilla Lovey Daughters Also Thomas & Berziller Sons it is Said they Came from the Town of Wobern Likewise Jonathan Shelden & Ruth his wife & Betsey their Daughter they Came from the Town of Danvers

These are therefore in the Name of the Commonwelth of Massachusetts to Requier you or Either of you Immedeatly to Warn the Above Named Persons forthwith to Depart from & Leve the Sd Town of Lynn or they will be Proceeded with as the Law Directs here of Fail Not & Make Return of Your Doings hereon

Pr Order of Selectmen

Lynn Feby: the 5th 1783

William Collins Town Clerk

Essex ss Lynn Feby: the 7th 1782 I Have Warned the above Said Persons to Depart & Leve this Town Agreeable to Sd Warrant

Andrew Mansfield Constable

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The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting at the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Monday the fifth Day of March Next at ten Oclock in the fore Noon then & there to Choose a Town Clerk Treasurer Select Men Constables & all Other Town Officer as by Law Required and to Let the Nehant Beeches & Sedge Islands also to See if the Town will Let the Swine go at Large & horses without fetters

also to See What the Town will Give the Collectors or Constables
for Collecting the Taxes the Currant year Like wise to Give
in there Vots for Sum Suitable Person for a County Register

Lynn Feby : 24th 1781

By order of the Selectmen
William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn March the 5th 1781
The following Persons ware Chose to Serve in the Offices
hereafter Mentioned the Currant year
Coll John Mansfield Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting
William Collins Chosen Town Cler & Assor & Sworn
Coll John Flagg Chosen Town Treasurer & Sworn
James Newhall Samuel Sweetser Abner Hood and John Upton
Chosen Selectmen & Assessors & Sworn
Nehemiah Ramsdel Andrew Mansfield & Amos Lewis Chosen
Constables the two first Sworn
& to Give Bonds to the town & have foure pence on Each pound
for Collecting the Taxes
Ephriam Newhall Thomas Mansfield Abraham Smith & Ephraim
Larrabee Chosen Tithing Men the two first Mentioned Sworn
Survayers of Highways Nathaniel Boyington William Mansfield
Capn John Pool & John Ierson the three first Sworn

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Benja Mansfield Joseph Hawk Ephraim Newhall Jonathan
Wellman & James Brown Mathew Estes Chosen Fence Viewers
the three first Sworn
Hog Reues Jonathan Newhall Thomas Flurrance Benja Tarbox
Andrew Mansfield Robert Mansfield John Newhall David Lewis
Nathan Newhall Josiah Martan the above Named Persons all
Sworn
James Johnson Henry Burchsted Rufus Newhall Nathan Mudge
Joseph Atwell Lemuel Allen & Nathaniel Tarbox Junr also
Chosen
William Farington & James Newhall Chosen Lether Sealers
Edward Johnson Chosen Clark of the Market
Survayers of Lumber Samuel Silsbee & Ephriam Breed Breed
Sworn Josiah Marten Silvenus Husey Joseph Ballard
Fish Comittee Henry Bachelor Josiah Breed Robert Mansfield
Samuel Smith Jonathan Tarbel Jonathen Wellman Richard Pratt
Daniel Newhall Increas Newhall Benja Massey Benjamin

Mansfield Timothy Walton William Farington and Abner
Chever Esqr Chosen a fish Comittee
also Aded Alen Newhall & John Newhall
Wood Sealers Increas Newhall Benja Massey & Robert Mansfield
Chosen Wood Sealers the two first Sworn
Coll John Mansfield Abner Chever Esqr Mr Samuel Burrill
Decn Nathaniel Bancraft Capt Holten Johnson Benja Johnson
& Coll John Flagg Chosen Committee of Safty
Pharoah Newhall Issac Basset & Matthew Estes Chosen a
Committee to Take Cear of the Beaches
Sedge Islands Let to John Hawks for £135-0-0
Voted The Swine go at Large & Horses to be fettered
Voted To Ajour this Meetin to Monday the 12th Instant at 3 oClock :
P:M:

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Monday March the 12 then met Agreeable to Ajournment and
Voted to Excuse som Officers Chosen at the first Meeting &
Chose Others in there Room which are Recorded on the Other
Leef back
Voted To Chuse a comittee to Settle the Accounts with the Seletmen
& Town Treasurer & to Make Report to the Town
Voted Decn Daniel Mansfield Mr Ephraim Breed Mr Jacob Newhall
Coll John Mansfield & Mr John Basset be the Committee
Voted this Meeting be Ajourned to the 26th Instent at 2 oClock
P:M:
March 26th Met Agreeable to Ajournment
Voted to Add Coll John Mansfield & Mr John Basset to the Above
Comittee they Stand Recorded with
Voted To Choose Several Hog Reives which are Recorded with the
Others which is the Reson there nams is Not Mentiond
Voted to Choose Mr Aaron Newhall Pound Keeper
Voted to Ajourn this Meeting to the 2nd Day of April Next at
12 oClock at noon
Met Agreeable to Ajournment
Voted To Refar the Report of the Comittee on the Selectmen acts
til may Meeting
Voted To Pospone the Tax made to Hier Soldiers till the Town
Shall Give further Orders
Voted Each Person that has Paid Sd Soldear Tax Shall have Orders
to Discount so much of the Last Tax now in the Collectors hands

Voted this Meeting be Ajourned to the 9th of this Instent April
When Chose Several Officers Which is Recorded with the Rest
Viz: Amos Lewis Constable John Iierson Survayers of High-
ways
The Busness of the Meeting being finished the Meeting is
Desolved

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The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting Are
hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting
House in Snd Town on Monday the 2nd Day of April Next
at one OClock Afternoon to Choose a Governor Leut Governor
& Senetors agreeable to form of Government Also to see what
the Town will alough a Day for Working on the Highways
this Year

Lynn March 24th 1781

Pr Order of the Selectmen
William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting held at Lynn April 2d 1781

To Choose A Governor Leut Governor & Senetors for the
Common Wealth of Massachusetts

The following is a List of the Persons Voted for & Number
of Vots

Viz: John Hancock Esqr for Governor Forty four Vots Samue.
Holten Esqr for Leut Governor Twenty Eight Vots
Jonathan Greenleaf Esqr for Senetor Seventeen Vots
Azor Orn Esqr for Senetor Twenty two Vots
Aaron Wood Eskr for Senetor Twenty one Vots
Samuel Phillips for Senetor Twenty Vots
Stephen Choate Esqr Twenty two Vots
Samuel Holden Esqr Twenty four Vots

Coll John Mansfield Chosen Moderator to Transs Act the Remainder
of the Busnes of Sd Meeting

Voted a Single head Shall be Taxed $\frac{1}{2}$ a Day to work on the
highways the Currant Yeare & all Other Estate in Proportion
Voted to Alough Out of the Highway Tax for Each Days work
Sixty Dolers & for Each Teem havein three Cattle Ninty Dollars
and if any Person Shall Refuse to work or pay his Money the
Survayes make Return of Such Persons to the Selectmen &
they are Required to put the Sum they are Taxed in Sd Highway
tax in the Next Town Tax after Such Return is made

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(Seal)

Essex ss To Joseph Hart Constable of Lynn in Said County —

Greeting

The Selectmen of Lynn afore Said being Informed that the Persons hereafter Named Came into the Town of Lynn & here Continue to dwell

Viz One Edmund Rand & Mary his Wife Ezra Ezekiel & Edmund there Children

These are therefore in the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to Requier you Imedately to Warn Each & Every of the Above Named Parsons to Depart & Leave this Town or they will be Proceeded with as the Law Directs You are Likewise to Inquier when they Came into this Town & from Whence they Came hereof fail not & Make Return of Your Doings hereon Given Under My hand & Seal at Lynn this 24th day of April 1782

Pr Order of the Selectmen

William Collins Town Clerk

Essex ss Lynn April the 25th 1782

I Have Warned the Within Named Persons to Depart & Leave this Town Agreeable to Warrant they Likewise Informed me thay Came into this Town the 13th of June Last & Came from Malden

Joseph Hart Constable

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The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to attend a Town Meeting at the West Parish Meeting House in Sd Town on Monday Next at 2 oClock afternoon to Choose a Collector for the Weast ward in Sd Town & to Act on any Other things the Town May think Nescary

Lynn August 18th 1782

Pr Order

William Collins Tn Cler

At A Town Meeting Held at Lynn August 20th 1781 Abner Chever Esqr Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting

Voted To Give any new Collector that May be Chosen Six pence on the pound for Collecting the Taxes

Voted the assessors of the Town Shall Deliver the Lists for the Weast ward for the year to Andrew Mansfield

Voted this Meeting be Ajourned to friday Next at five oClock afternoon to the House of Mr Jacob Newhalls Inholder in Sd Town

The Town met Agreeable to Ajournment

Voted To Excuse Andrew Mansfield from collecting the Taxes for the Weast ward

Voted Capn Thomas Cocks be Collector for the West ward & to Have Six pence on the pound for Collecting

Voted the Money that has had the Interest Paid Shall Not be taken by the Collectors for the Past Taxes for the Same Value & that the Treasurer Shall not Take it Except the Interest is aloughed on Such Money

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The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Directs are hereby Notified to Attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Monday the fourth Day of March Next at Eleven oClock A:M: then & there to Choose A Town Clerk Treasurer Select-Men Constables & all Other Town officers as by Law Required and to Let the Nehant Beeches & Sedge Islands also to See if the Town will Let the Swine go at Large & horses without fetters also to See what the Town will Give the Constables or Collectors for Collecting the Taxes the Current year

Lynn Feby: 21st 1782

By Order of the Select-men
William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn March the 4th, 1782

The following Persons ware Chose to Serve in the Offices hereafter mentioned the current year

Abner Chever Esqr. Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting

William Collins Chosen Town Clerk Select Man & Assessor

John Flagg Esqr Chosen Treasurer & Sworn James Newhall Esqr Samuel Sweetser Abner Hood & John Upton Chosen Select-men & Assessors

Timothy Walton Joseph Hart & Frederick Breed Chosen Constables & all Sworn James Roberson Decn Daniel Mansfield Lemuel Alen Chosen Wardens

Tithing Men Ephraim Newhall Chosen & Sworn Thomas Mansfield
Abraham Smith Thomas Cocks William Mansfield Chosen &
Sworn

Surveyers of Highways John Collins Joseph Edmunds Josiah New-
hall Joseph Ballard Chosen & Sworn

Fence Viewers Benja Mansfield Nathaniel Hitchings Ephraim New-
hall Jonathan Tarbel & William Mansfield Sworn Mathew Estes
Jonathan Wellman & James Brown Chosen

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Richard Hood Ephraim Newhall John Burrill Samuel Smith
Nathan Newhall Thomas Wellman John Hawks & John Newhall
Chosen Hogg Reves & Sworn William Tarbox Benja Hudson
Junr Samuel Breddan Also Chosen

James Newhall Esqr William Farington Chosen Lether Sealers
Edward Johnson Chosen Clark of the Market Sworn

Surveyers of Lumber Ephraim Breed Moses Hudson Sworn Samuel
Silsbe also Chosen

Fish Committee Capn Thomas Cocks, James Roberson Grims Tufts
Robert Mansfield Caleb Downing Capn Holten Johnson Sworn
Henry Burchsted Benja Massey Joseph Ballard Jonathan Well-
man & Timothy Walton also Chosen

Joseph Gaskill Isaiah Breed Isaac Basset and Gedeon Phillips
Chosen a Committee to take Cear of the Beaches

Benja Massey Increas Newhall & Moses Hudson Chosen Wood
Sealers & to have two pence a lod for Measuring & they to
Give a Ticket Sworn

Sedge Islands Let To Grims Tufts for Ten Spanish Milled Dollers
for one year

Voted The Swine go at Large & Horses to be Fettered

Voted the Collectors have Six pence on the pound for Collecting
the Taxes the Current Year thay Giveing Bonds to the Town

Voted To Ajourn this Meeting to the 17th Instent to this place

March the 17th Met Agreeable to Ajournment

Capn Holton Johnson Chosen moderator in the Room of
Esqr. Chever he not being there

Coll John Mansfield Abner Chever Esqr Mr Samuel Burrill
Decn Nathaniel Bancraft Capn Holton Johnson Mr Benja
Johnson & John Flagge Esqr Chosen a Committee of Safty
Several Other Officers Chosen which are Recorded with the
Others

Voted This Meeting be ajourned to the first Day of April to this Place
April the first Met Agreeable to Ajournment

Voted All the Persons Chosen in Office at this Meeting & Not
Excused by the Town Shall pay the fine Imposed on them
by Law

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Essex ss To Joseph Hart Constable in Lynn —

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massechusetts You are
Required to Warn the Inhabitants of the First Parish in Sd Lynn
Quallified for Voting to Attend a Town Meeting at the Old
Meeting House in Sd Parish on Monday Next at one OClock:
P:M: To Choose a Governor Leut Governor & Sanetors Also
to Consider a Petition which the North Parish in Sd Town
Prefered to The General Court to Erect Sd Perish into a
Seperate District & to Trancact Whatever Else Shall be Judged
Most Conducive to the Interest of the Town hereof fail not &
make Return of Youre Doings hereon at or before Sd Time

Lynn March 27th 1782

By Order of the Select-men
William Collins Tn Cler

Essex ss Lynn April 1st 1782 I have warned the first Parish
in Sd Lynn to Attend at Time & Place within Mentioned

Joseph Hart Constable

The North Parish was warned in the Same Manner & the Other
Parts of Sd Town by Notefication as Usel

At A Town Meeting Held at Lynn April the 1st 1782

To Choose a Governor Leut Governor & Senetors for the
Commonwealth of Massechusetts the following is the Persons
Voted for & the Number of Votes

Viz: John Hancock Esqr for Governor	— — — — —	55 Vots
James Bodwine for Governor	— — — — —	2 Vots
Thomas Cushing Esqr for Leut Governor	— — — — —	36 Vots
Azor Orn Esq for Senetor	— — — — —	30 Vots
Samuel Holten Esqr for Senetor	— — — — —	30 Vots
Aaron Wood Esqr for Senetor	— — — — —	30 Vots
Stephen Choat Esqr for Senetor	— — — — —	30 Vots
Jonathan Greenleaf Esqr for Senetor	— — — — —	30 Vots
Samuel Phillips Esqr for Senetor	— — — — —	30 Vots

Capn Holten Johnson was Chosen Moderator to Transact the Remainder of the Busness of the Meeting

Voted The Select-Men with the Addition of Capt. Holten Johnson Coll John Flagg & Coll John Mansfield be a Committee To Act in Behalf of the Town in Making answer to a Petition which the North Parish in Sd Town Prefered to the General Court to Erect Sd Parish into a Seperate District Also Voted

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Voted the Wages for working on the High ways the Current year Shall be for a Man three Shillings Pr Day & a Team with three cattle Six Shillings Pr Day

At a General Town Meeting held in Lynn May the 14th 1782 Capn Holten Johnson was Chosen to Represent Sd Town At the General Court the Currant Year

The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting are Hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Wednesday the 5th Day of June Next at 3 oClock After noon To See if the Town will Choose a Committee to Joyne a Committee Allreddy Chosen by the North Parish in Sd Town to Consult or agree on Sum ways or Measurs to Erect Sd Parish into a Seperate District Agreeable to the Request of Sd Parish Also To See if the Town will Make a Grant of Money to Defray Town Charges

Lynn May 27th 1782

Pr Order of the Select-men
William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn June the 5th 1782

Abner Chever Esqr Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting

Voted To Choose a Committee Agreeable to the Notefication

Voted there be five men on Sd Committee

Voted William Collins James Newhall Samuel Sweetser Coll John Mansfield & Abner Hood be Sd Committee

Voted Sd Committee Meet with the Committee of the North Parish to See in What way they Can Agree to Set of Sd Parish as a Distrect & Make Report to the Town at the Ajournment of this Meeting

Voted To Grant four Hundred pounds in Speshe to Defray town Charges

Voted To Ajournr this Meeting to this Day week at this House at 4 oClock After noon

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June the 12th the Town Met agreeable to Ajournment The afore Sd Committee not agreeing to any thing the Town Voted to ajourn this Meeting to the 19th Instent

June the 19th 1782 the Town Met Agreeable to ajournment & the Committee's Made the following Report to the Town Viz: We the Committee of the Town of Lynn and the Committee of the North Parish in Sd Town Chosen by Sd Town & Parish to agree to agree on Sum Terms to Set off Sd Parish from Sd Town as a Seperate District have met & Do Agree to Set off Sd Parish in the following maner Viz they the Sd Parish to pay all there proportion of the Towns Debts Du at this time & all Town Charges tell they the Sd Parish are Set off by the General Court as a Seperate District from Sd Town Also that Sd Parish pay their Propportionable part to Support the Poor of Sd Town tell the Close of the war & at the End of the war the Poor Shall be Divided & Sd North Parish Shall Take their Proportionable part of Sd Poor Agreeable to their Taxes & that the Sd Poor be Proportioned by a Committee Chosen by Sd Town & Parish Viz: Sd Town to Choose two men to be on Sd Committee & Sd Parish one & if they Cannot agree on Sd Proportion to Have Power to Submit it to Disinterested Men Mutily Chosen & that the Poor be Under the Cear of the above Sd Committee During the war and if Sd North Parish Request it they to take there Proportion of Sd Poor & Support them in Sd Parish

Lynn June the 19th 1782

John Mansfield	}	Towns Committee
William Collins		
James Newhall		
Samuel Sweetser		
Abner Hood		

Daniel Mansfield	}	Parishs Committee
Jonathan Tarbel		
Joseph Gowing		

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn June the 5th 1782 & Continued by Ajournment to the 19th when the above Report was made to the Sd Town by Sd Committees & after Som Debats the Town Voted Unanamosly to Axcept the above Sd Report with the following Amendment Viz: Sd Parish to Give up all there Right in any of the town Priveledges Lying & being in the Other Parts of the Town

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The Inhabitents of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Wednesday Next at 3 oClock Afternoon to Choose a Committee or Committees to Settle with Lynnfield Distrect agreeable to the Vote of the Town

Lynn Octr 4th, 1782

Pr Order

William Collins Tn Cler

At A Town Meeting held at Lynn Octr the 9th 1782

Coll John Mansfield Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting

Voted To Choose a Committee of five men to Meet the Committee of Lynn field to Settle & Divide the The Towns Debts Agreeable to the Vote of Sd Town

Voted Mr Ephraim Breed Coll John Mansfield Mr Joseph Ballard Abner Chever Esqr & Mr Abner Hood be Sd Committee

Voted James Newhall Esqr & William Collins be a Committee to Divide the Poor *now on Hand*

Voted Coll John Flagg Town Treasurer Settle with all the Constables Excepting the Constables Chosen in March last in fourteen Days from this Day

Voted Mr Ephriam Breed Wait on Coll John Flagg to Let him Know the Vote of the Town

Voted the Selectmen Notefie All Persons that have Any Demands on the Town to bring An acct of Such Nots or Other Demands to the Sd Selectmen At Such time & Place as they Shall Apoint

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At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn legally Assembled on the 2nd day of Janauary 1783 Voted that a Removal of the July Court of Common Pleas from Salam to Ipswich and the Supreme Juditial Court from Ipswich to Newbry Port would be very Disagreeable to this Town and Choose the Sd Courts be Continued & held as they have been heretofore.

William Collins Tn Cler

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(Seal)

Essex ss To Either of the Constables of the Town of Lynn in in Sd County Greeting

Whereas the Select-men of Lynn afor Sd are Informed that the Several Persons hereafter named have Lately came into this

Town and here continue to dwell Viz: one John Spenne & Grace his wife John Robert Benjamin Francis Thomas & Samuel there Sons and Grace and Mary there Daughters who Came from the Town of Peckersfield Som time in March Last Also one Daniel Fisher of Boston who came into this Town Som time in May Last also one Jemime Jenkins whoe came from the Town of Malden also Samuel Berry & Mary his wife Katharine Mary Elizabeth & Sarah there Daughters whoe came from the Town of Malden Also one John Walker Hannah his wife & William his Son who came from the Town of Danvers Som Time in May last Also Sarah Pepper also William Verry also Amos Verry who Came from the Town of Danvers Likewise John Francisco who came from the Town of Boston

These are therefore in the Name of the Commonwealth of Massechusetts to Requier you or either of you to Imediately to Warn Each & Every of the Above Named Persons forth with to Depart from and leave the Town of Lynn Otherwise they will be proceeded with as the Law Directs you are Likewise to Inquier of Sd persons when they Severaly came into this Town

Here of fail not & Make Return of Your Doings here on February the 5th 1783

By Order of the Selectmen

William Collins Tn Cler

Essex ss Lynn Feby: the 6th, 1783

I have Warned the Above Named Persons to Depart & Leave this Town Agreeable to the Warrant

Joseph Hart Constable

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The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Monday the 3d Day of March next At Eleven oClock in the fore noon then & there to Choose A Town Clerk Treasurer Selectmen Constables & all Other Town Officers as by Law Required an to Let the Nehant Beeches & Sedge Islands Also to See if the Town will Let the Swine go at Large & Horses with Out fetters

Also To See if the Town will Grant Money to pay the Whol or any part of the Towns Debts & Likewise to Order in way or manner they will have it Collected & paid

Also to See if the Town will Sell the Towns House Called
the work House & the Land Ajoyning and Order in what manner
it Shall be Sold

Lynn Feby: 22d 1783

By Order of the Selectmen
William Collins Tn Cler

A a General Town Meeting held at Lynn This 3d Day of March
1783 The following Persons ware Chosen to Serve in the Offices
Hereafter Mentioned the Currant Year

Abner Chever Esqr Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting

William Collins Chosen Town Clerk Selectman & Assessor

Coll John Flagg Chosen Treasurer & Sworn James Newhall
Esqr & Samuel Sweetser Chosen Selectmen & Assessors

Constables Abner Chever Junr Chosen & Sworn Ephraim Breed
Chosen

Thomas Stocker Aaron Newhall & Ephraim Newhall Chosen
Wardens

Tithing Men Abraham Smith chosen John Ierson Chosen & Sworn
Haris Chadwell Chosen

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Survayers of Highways Joseph Edmunds Coll John Mansfield
Chosen Joseph Ballard Sworn William Newhall Sworn

Fence Viewers Ephraim Newhall Matthew Estes William Sweetser
& Thomas Hawks Chosen & Sworn
Joseph Edmunds also Chosen & Sworn

Hogg Reves James Breed Samuel Chase Henry Burchsted David
Lewis & Jonathan Downing Chosen & Sworn

James Roberson Nathan Newhall & Lewis Bruce also Chosen

Voted the Swine go at Large from the first Day of May 5 Months
following

Lather Sealers James Newhall Esqr & Dn William Farington
Edward Johnson Chosen Clark of the Market & Sworn

Survayers of Lumber Ephraim Breed & Moses Hudson Sworn

Fish Comittee James Roberson Abraham Smith Samuel Mansfield
Jedidiah Newhall & Joseph Hart Chosen & Sworn Capn Thoms
Cocks Grims Tufts & Robard Mansfield Also Chosen

Ephraim Newhall & Hugh Alley Chosen to take Cear of the
Beaches

Wood Sealers Increase Newhall Benja Massey Moses Hudson & Henry Batchelor Chosen & Sworn

Coll John Mansfield Abner Chever Esqr Mr Samuel Burrill Capn Holton Johnson Mr Benja Johnson & Coll John Flagge Chosen Committee of Safty

Sedge Islands Let to Grims Tufts one year for £2-3-0

Voted The Town Treasurer pay to Lynn field there Proportion of there Credit Due to them & Like wise to take Bonds of them for the payment of there proportion of the Debts agreeable to the Settlemnt of the Committe

Voted the Selectmen Notefie & Sell the the Towns House Called the work House & Land Ajoyning as Mentioned in the Notefication to the Highest bidder

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Voted This Meeting be Adjourned to the 17th Instent to this House at 3 oClock P:M :

Lynn March the 17th 1783 The Town Met Agreeable to Adjournment

Voted To Excuse Ephriam Newhall from Serving Warden and Chose him Tithing man & he was Sworn

Voted To Give the Constables Seven pence on the pound for Collecting the Taxes the Currant year provided they Give Bonds to the Town with Such Security as the Town Shall Accept for the payment of the Money assessed & pay in the whol of the Assessments to the Treasurer with in one Year from the Date of Such assesments or Taxes Committed to them to Collect

Voted to Accept Frederick Breed to Serve Constable in the Room & Sted of Ehpraim Breed Said Frederick Breed was Sworn Acordingly

Som Other officers Chosen which are Recorded with the Others

Voted James Newhall Esqr & Mr Samuel Sweetser be a Committee to Take Cear of the Poor Also Voted on the Adjournment Sd Comittee be The Comittee to Divide the Poor with Lynnfield When a peas it Made Certain

Voted Ephriam Breed Capn Thomas Cocks Joseph Fuller & Joseph Hart be a Comittee to Settle all the Towns Accts & Make Report to the Town

Voted This Meeting be Adjourned to April the 7th

The Town Met on the Adjournment & ajourned this Meeting to the Annual Meeting in May Next

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The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Monday the 7th Day of April Next at three oClock P:M: to Choose A Governor Leut Governor & Senators Also to See of the Town Will act on three Noats Given in Behalf of Said Town to Caleb & Jacob Collins Which Appears to be Wrongly Dated

Lynn March 29th 1783

By Order of the Select-men
William Collins Tn Cler

At a Town Meeting Held at Lynn on Monday the 7th Day of April 1783 The following Parsons was Voted for

Viz: for Governor John Hancock Esqr	— — — — —	32 Vots
Thomas Cushing Esqr for Leut Governor	— — — — —	32 Vots
Samuel Holten Esqr	— — — — —	11 Vots
Jonathan Gréenleif Esqr	— — — — —	11 Vots
Stephen Choat Esqr	— — — — —	11 Vots
Samuel Phillips Esqr	— — — — —	11 Vots
Aaron Wood Esqr	— — — — —	11 Vots
George Cobbet Esqr	— — — — —	11 Vots

Senaters

Voted The Last Claus in the Warrant be Refeared to the Annual Meeting in May Next

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At a Town Meeting held at Lynn May the 8th 1783 to Make Choice of a Person or persons to Represent them at the General Court the Currant Year

The Town Made Choice of Mr Samuel Burrill to Reprsent them at Sd Court

The Town Also Voted to Chuse a Committee of five Men to Settle Caleb Collin's & Jacob Collin's Notes and Sd Committee to have full power to Settle Sd Notes as they in there Judgment Shall think Right

Voted Abner Chever Esqr James Newhall Esqr Capn Thomas Cocks Joseph Hart & Josiah Breed be the Sd Committee to Acct as Above Sd

The Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn Quallified for Voting as the Law Directs are hereby Notefied to Attend a Town Meeting at the Old Meeting House in Sd Town on Wednesday

Next at 2 oClock P:M: To See if the Town will Grant Money to pay the Whol or any part of the Towns Debts & to Defray the Arising Charges in Sd Town Also to See if the Town will agree to have the Courts Removed Likewise to See in what manner the Grate Bridge Shall be Repaired & also to See if the Town will Grant a fue Pols of Land to Majr David Parker whare his Shop Stands and Ajoyning

Pr Order of the Select-men

Lynn September 5th 1783

William Collins Tn Cler

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At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Lynn legally Assembled on the 10th day of September 1783

Esqr Chever Chosen Moderator of Sd Meeting

Voted To Grant Five Hundred pounds Lawfull Money to be Assessed on the Inhabitants of Sd Town by the Assessors To pay Sum part of the Towns Debts & Arising Charges in Sd Town

Voted it Was the Opinion of Sd Town that it is Most for the benefit of the county of Essex in General to have the Courts in Sd County Continue as they are and that Our Representative (who was present be directed to use the utmost of his Endeavors to Prevent the Removal of Sd Courts

Voted the Select-men be a Committee to Call on Mrs Debrah Gould to Repair her part of the Gate Bridge & Let her know if She Neglects to do it they the Sd Committee Shall Prosecute her

Voted To Grant Majr David Parker a fue Pols of the Towns Land as Staked out by the Committee he paying what the Sd Committee has Vallued Sd Land at

Voted the Town Clerk Enter on the Towns Book the Several peaces of the Towns Land that has been Granted to Persons & Paid for before Sd Clerk was Chosen & he Shall be paid a Resonable price for the Same

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Genealogists will find that certain individuals may be listed under more than one entry, due to the various military, civil, and religious titles acquired by these people and to the frequent scarcity of information contained in the Records themselves.

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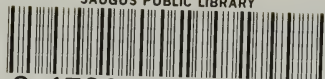
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